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I DON'T UNDERSTAND... WHY DID THIS KID CALL ME FATHER?
BUT, I HAVN'T FORGOTTEN AKAKA-BUTO...
I CAN'T REMEMBER ANYTHING THAT HAPPENED BEFORE THE LAST SIX MONTHS...
CHAPTER 1: THE JOURNEY OF THE FIGHTERS

NO DOUBT ABOUT IT. THE STUFF THAT THE KID WAS BABBLING ABOUT EARLIER WAS TRUE.
AS YOU CAN SEE, LORD SNIPER...
AND SURELY, ALL OF THE LOYALTY THAT LORD SNIPER AND I ACTED TOWARD THE BOSS WOULD BE WASTED, RIGHT?
IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING, THE BOSS MIGHT LET THE KID TAKE HIS ROLE AS LEADER SOMEDAY...

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THE NEXT BOSS IS GOING TO BE ME!
NOBODY SHALL GET IN MY WAY!

.....
YOU'RE QUIET, LORD SNIPER...

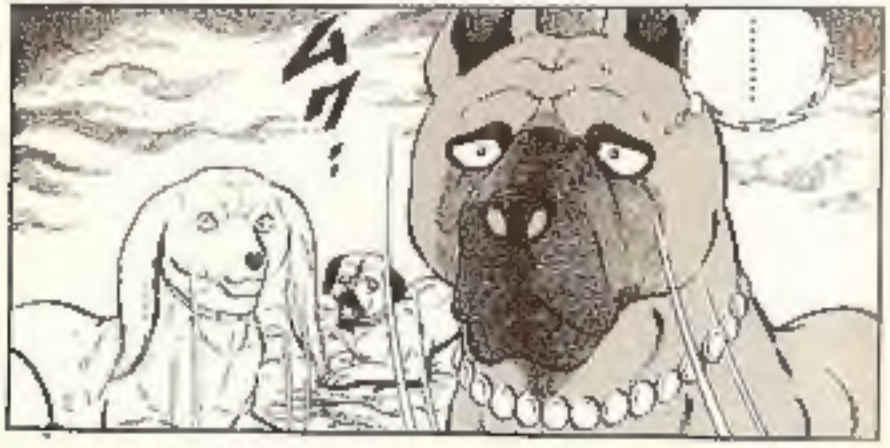
BEN...!
BEN, WAKE UP! I MUST TALK TO YOU!

HE'S EXHAUSTED... HE WON'T EVEN FLINCH...

JEEZ, I'LL GO ON AHEAD!
I'M SORRY, BEN! I'LL HURRY BACK!

GIN, LET'S HURRY. NIGHT'S TURNING TO MORNING!

HEHEH, HE CAN'T HEAR YOU. LET'S HURRY!
I'LL DEFINITELY BE BACK, BEN! WAIT FOR ME!


AH!
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YOU REALLY ARE A FEMALE...
HEHE... GOING EASY ON THE YOUNG ONES, AS ALWAYS...
?
AAH, SORRY... I DIDN'T MEAN TO MAKE YOU FEEL BAD.
YOU PROMISED YOU WOULDN'T BRING THAT UP!
BEFORE SHE WAS ABANDONED BY HER MASTER, SHE WAS A MOTHER, HAD GIVEN BIRTH TO PUPPIES, AND LIVED IN A HOUSE.
CROSS, EIGHT YEARS OLD. THE ONLY FEMALE DOG ACCEPTED AS A FIGHTER IN THE PACK.
HEHE... SCARY! I UNDER-STAND.
YOU SAID YOU WOULDN'T TALK ABOUT THAT ANYMORE!

ONCE YOU'VE JOINED THE PACK, IT'S AGAINST THE RULES TO LEAVE!
THEY DON'T KNOW THAT...
IT'S STILL NIGHT.
GIVE UP, BEN.
THE KID'S JUST GONE TO SAY GOODBYE TO HIS MASTER.
BUT WHAT DOES THAT MATTER?
IT'S STILL NIGHT. WAIT AND SEE IF HE COMES BACK.
LET HIM GO. HE LOOKS LIKE HE'S ONLY JUST BEEN WEANED, DOESN'T HE?

ONE YEAR AGO, SHE'D GONE INTO THE MOUNTAINS WITH COMPANY.

GRRR!
EEEEK!
CROSS!
PLEASE! HELP ME!

AS SHE FOUGHT, SHE RISKED HER LIFE.
CROSS FOUGHT HARD TO HELP HER MASTER.

ALL OF HER FRIENDS FOLLOWED AFTER HER.
GRRR!

YELP!
GRR..!
THE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED DOGS WAITED FOR HELP FROM THEIR MASTER
BEFORE HER EYES, AKAKABUTO'S CLANS KILLED EACH OF HER FRIENDS ONE BY ONE.

ABANDONED THE WOUNDED DOGS, AND RAN TO SAVE HIS OWN LIFE.
BUT, THE MASTER THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO HELP THEM...
AT THAT INSTANT, SHE REALIZED...
THAT SHE COULD ABSOLUTELY NEVER TRUST A HUMAN AGAIN.
SHE WAS SO SERIOUSLY WOUNDED THAT SHE COULDN'T MOVE, BUT LUCKILY, HELP CAME.
AND SO, THE FIGHT BETWEEN CROSS AND AKAKABUTO HAD BEGUN.
ALL OF HER FRIENDS HAD BEEN KILLED...

THEY CAN'T BE MORE POWERFUL THAN A HUMAN'S RIFLE.
NO MATTER HOW MANY ARE IN THAT PACK...
AND YOU TOO, GIN...
HEH... WHAT A BUNCH OF FOOLS.

THAT'S WHY I DIDN'T BOTHER TAKING OVER THE PACK BACK WHEN I FIRST SAW THE BOSS.
HEH... AND I WAS THINKING ABOUT THAT.
ALL OF THEM TOGETHER STILL WOULDN'T HAVE THE POWER.

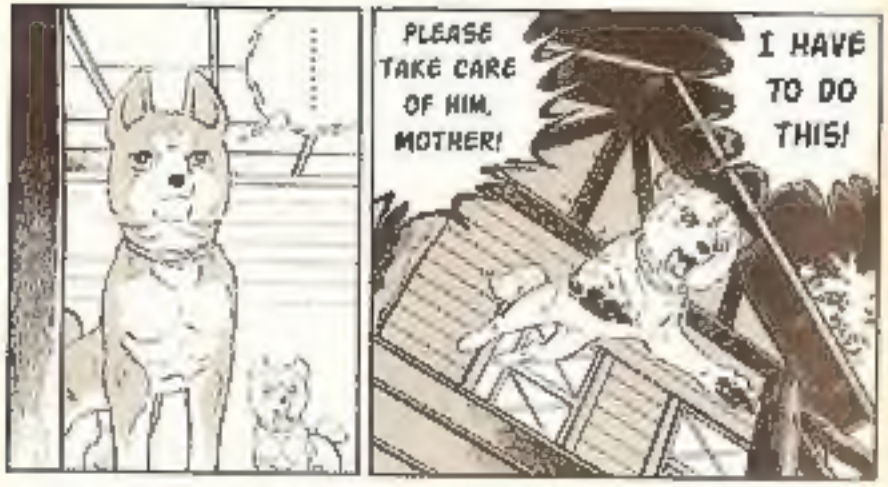
EITHER WAY, I'M VOUCHING FOR THE HUMANS' SIDE.
NO MATTER HOW THE LEADER LOOKS, HE'S JUST THE LEADER OF A BUNCH OF WILD MUTTS.

TAKE CARE OF DAISUKE WHILE I'M GONE...
YOU TOO, JOHN...
LIVE WELL.
IT'S ABOUT TIME WE SAID FARE-WELL, GIN...

BUT, GIN... BEFORE YOU LOT RETURN, MY MASTER WILL PROBABLY HAVE ALREADY KILLED AKAKABUTO.
YEAH ...

MAS DAISUKE WAITING IN HERE FOR ME?

GHH... MUHHH...


PLEASE TAKE CARE OF HIM, MOTHER!
I HAVE TO DO THIS!

WAOOOo!
AOOOO!

DAISUKE HAS BEEN SO WORRIED ABOUT YOU...
GIN... WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?
IT'S TOO HEART-BREAKING TO SAY GOODBYE..
I CAN'T SAY GOODBYE TO YOU...

GIN, WHAT'S WRONG? WHY ARE YOU CRYING?

I CAME TO SAY GOODBYE. I'M GOING ON A MISSION WITH EVERY-ONE...
MOTHER, I... I'M GOING AWAY.

BEN, THE LEADER, GIN, AND CROSS WERE ALL HEADING SOUTH, TO SEARCH FOR MORE FIGHTERS.
THE STRONGEST MEMBERS OF THE FIRST PLATOON WERE AT THE CENTER THE ARMY.

...WAS ONE OF SNIPER'S FOLLOWERS. HYENA WAS PLANNING TO ASSASSINATE GIN. AND NOBODY SUSPECTED A THING.
BUT IN THIS GROUP_

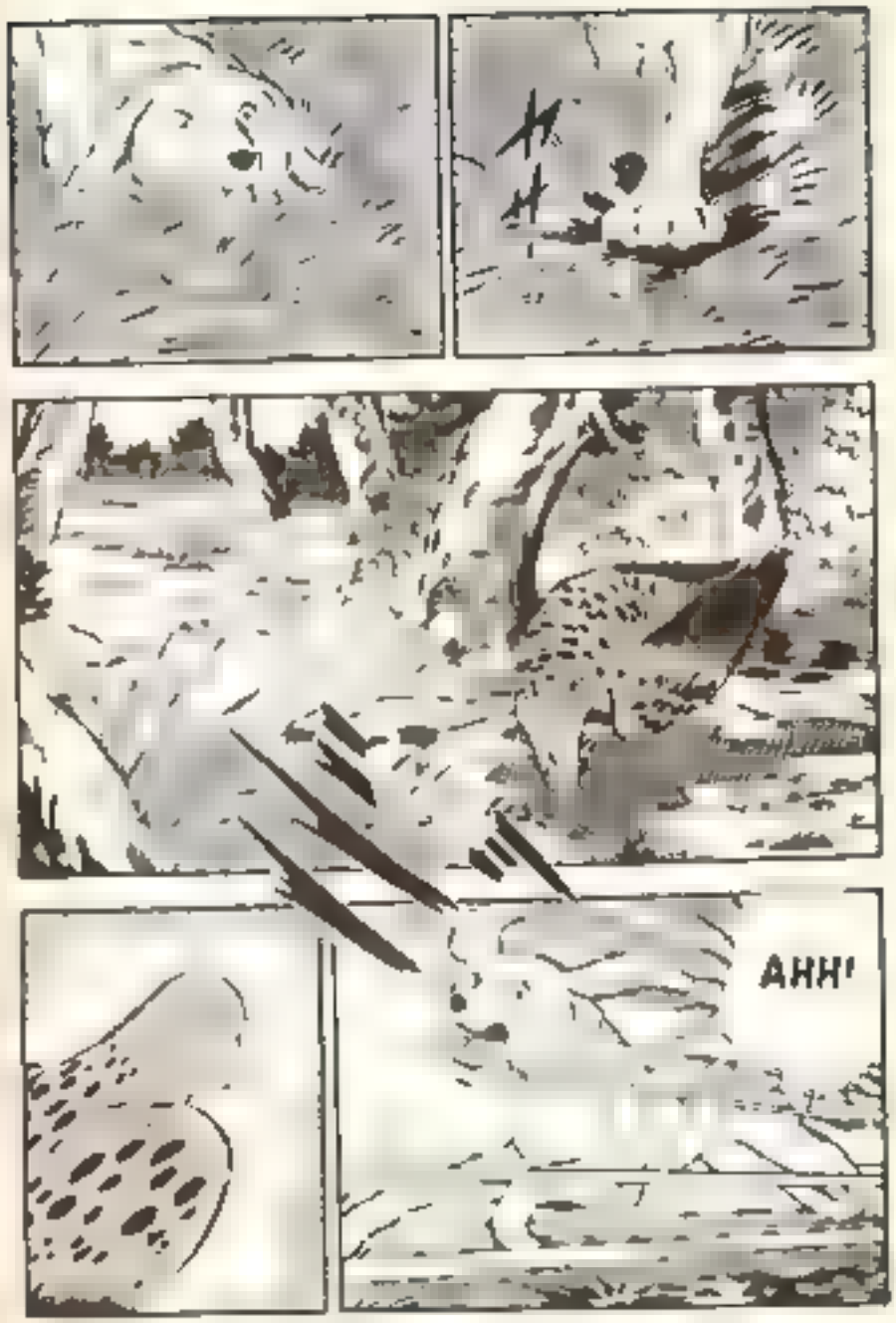
THE TWELVE PLATOONS SET OFF. THE DOGS WERE BEGINNING THEIR MISSION.
IN THE MIST OF THE MORNING

SOME WERE HEADING SOUTH, AND OTHERS NORTH, BUT ALL OF THEM HAD THE SAME INTENTIONS IN THEIR HEARTS.
OTHERS TO THE EAST... THEY WERE SPREADING OUT ALL OVER JAPAN.
SOME PLATOONS TO THE WEST...

I HOPE I GET TO EAT TODAY...!
CROSS AND BIN ARE LATE...
CROSS HAD BETTER GET US A FEAST OF BIRD MEAT...
NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, CROSS AND BIN WILL CATCH A MEAL FOR US.
YOU'RE MAKING THE BUGS IN MY STOMACH GROWL!
HEY, HEY, YOU'RE WORRYING TOO MUCH.
BIN IS STILL A KID, THOUGH... I BET HE CAN'T DO IT.
CROSS IS TRAINED HUNTING DOG, SO IT'S ALRIGHT...

...HEADING SOUTH.
UNDER BEN'S LEAD, PLATOONS ONE THROUGH THREE RAN NIGHT AND DAY...
HE WANTED TO FIND STRONG FIGHTERS THERE.
BEN ORDERED THEM TO AVOID EVERYTHING UNTIL THEY GOT TO THE MOUNTAINS.

AAH, OUR LUNCH IS ESCAPING!
KYAa,
KAa KAa
SHIT!
GOD DAMMIT! BASTARD!


AHH!

YOU JUST HAVE TO LOOK AT WHERE THE BIRD IS HEADING, AND IT'S EASY
DON'T FLATTER ME, CROSS!
HAHA, GREAT JOB!
GIN...! YOU!
YOU BASTARD! YOU'RE TRYING TO TEACH ME ABOUT THIS? DON'T FLATTER YOURSELF!
MAYBE HE WASN'T LYING WHEN HE SAID HE WAS THE BOSS'S SON.
HIS LEG POWER IS SOMETHING ELSE.
HAHA! DON'T SPEAK ILL OF THEM, CROSS!
ALRIGHT! LET'S GET THIS BACK AND FEED THOSE HUNGRY BASTARDS.
AAH, DON'T FORGET THAT RABBIT!

GRRRR!
GYAAA!
!?

FOLLOW ME.
I UNDERSTAND. I'LL EXPLAIN.
IF YOU DON'T START EXPLAINING WHAT'S GOING ON, WE'LL RUN DOWN TO THE CITY!
SHUT UP! I'M SERIOUS!

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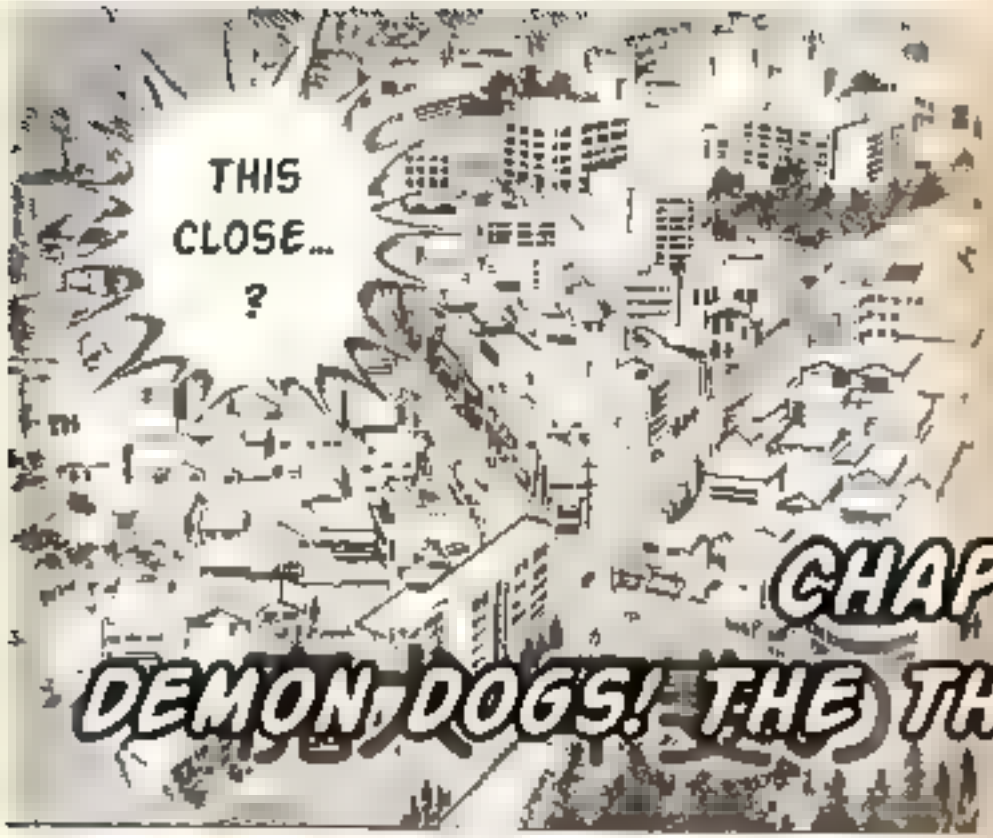
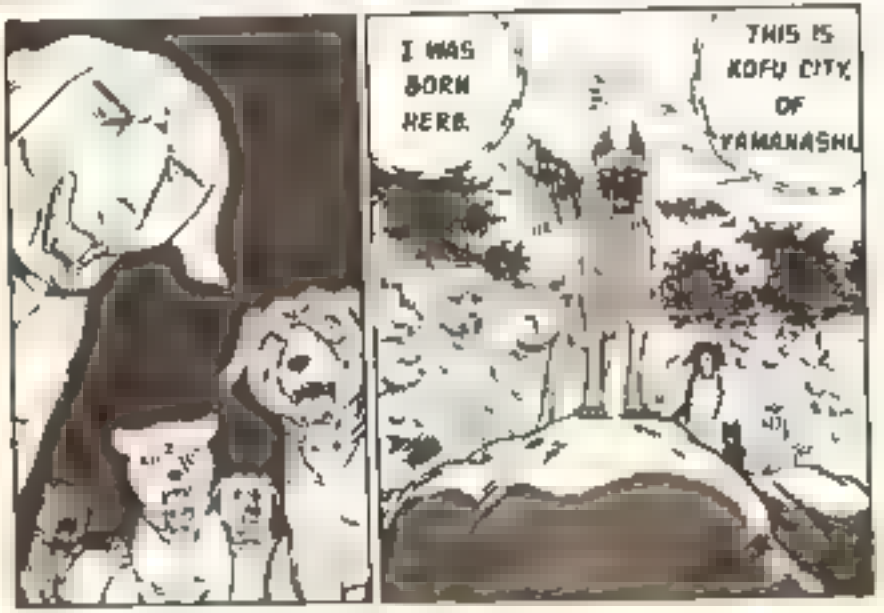
THEN, WHY ARE WE RUNNING IN THE MOUNTAINS, WHERE THERE'S NOBODY?
YES. WHY?
SUPPOSED TO BE LOOKING FOR FIGHTERS?
BEN, AREN'T WE...
DON'T BOTHER BEN! THE POOR GUY'S BEEN RUNNING FOR TEN DAYS. DON'T MAKE HIM STAND UP!
DON'T HYENA.
ARE THERE EVEN DOGS OUT HERE?!
THOSE FROM THE SECOND PLATOON ARE ALSO WONDERING THE SAME THING



CHAPTER 2:
DEMON DOGS! THE THREE BROTHERS OF KAI!

...IN THESE MOUNTAINS.
BUT THERE'S SOMETHING WE MUST DO FIRST
WHAT?
I WOULD KNOW, BECAUSE I WAS BORN HERE
WE COULD JUST GO DOWN TO THE CITY AND SEARCH FOR DOGS...



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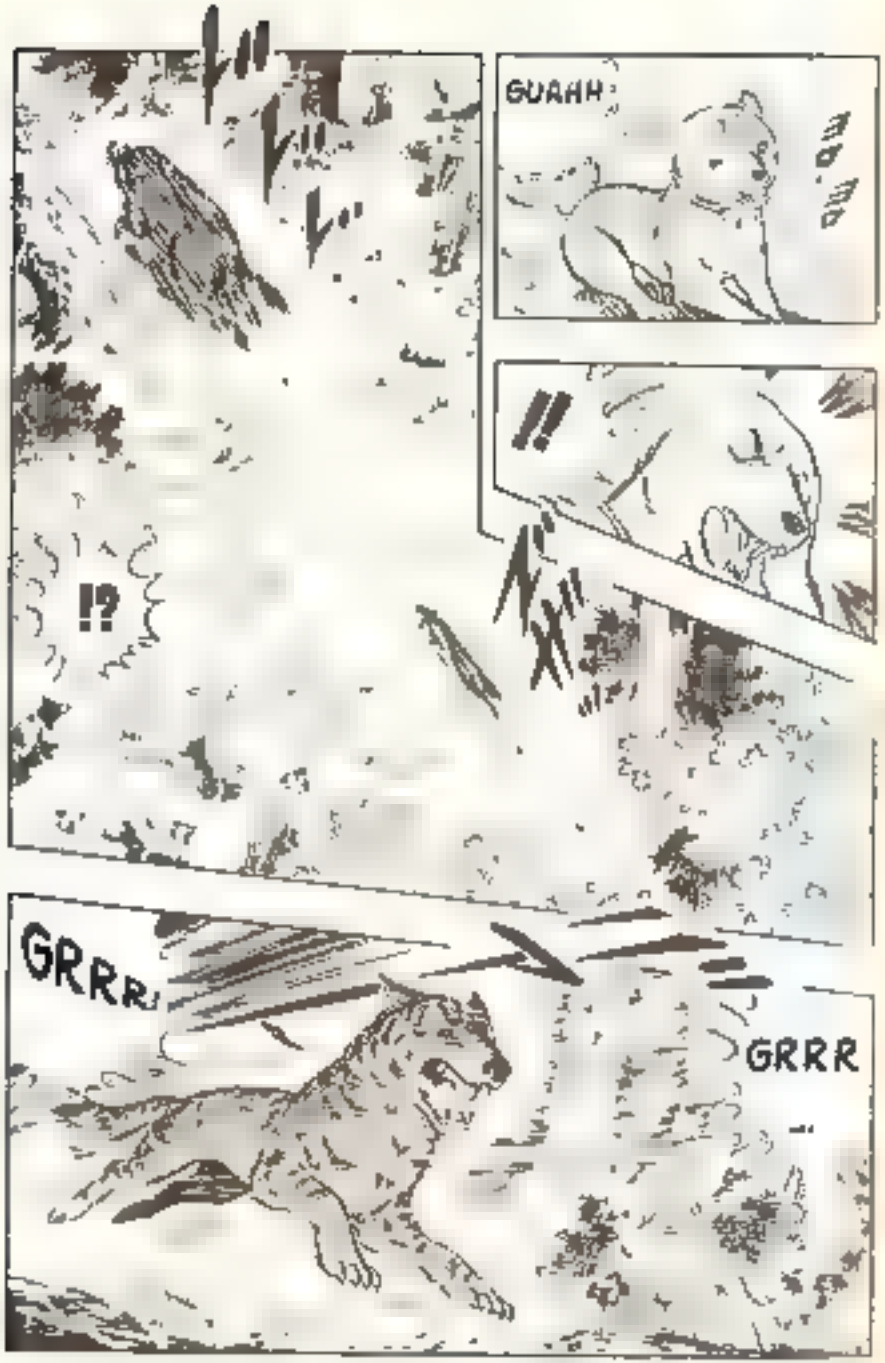
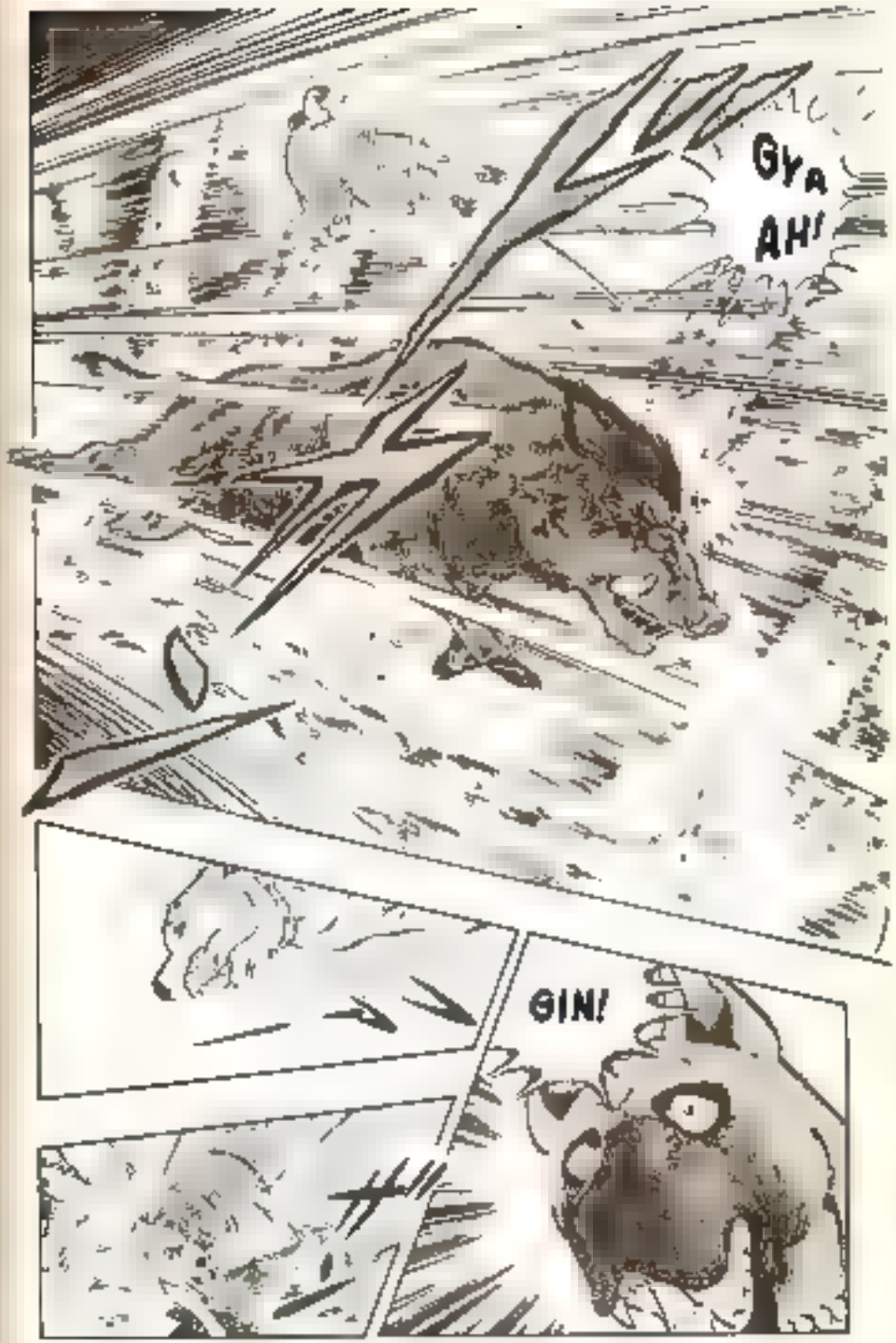
FOOL THE LEADER EATS FIRST!
AAH A BIRD! IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE I HAD BIRD MEAT!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING OVER HERE?
HEY! WE WERE LOOKING FOR YOU.
HEHE
JEEZ THOSE WHO DO THE LEAST WORK ARE THE MOST GLUTTONOUS.
JEEZ THAT'S ENOUGH OF THAT TALK!
CROSS, I LOVE YOU! MUAHAH!
THIS IS TOUGH. I'LL TAKE A WHILE.
HEHE I BET YOU COULDN'T EVEN DRINK WITH THAT TONGUE.
NO MORE DIFFICULT THAN EATING A LIZARD.

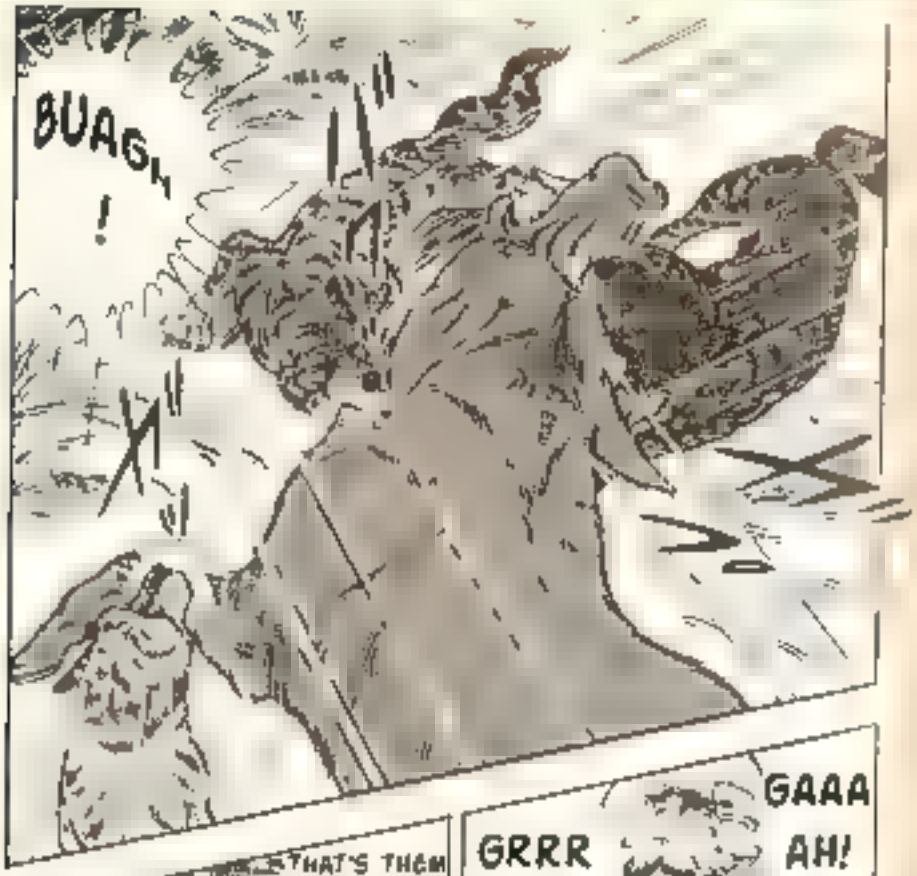
IN THESE MOUNTAINS LIVE THE THREE DEMON-DOG BROTHERS OF KAI.
YOU ACT LIKE YOU'VE WAITED THREE YEARS.
GEN, AREN'T YOU GOING TO FINISH EXPLAIN HIM?
HM?
IN THESE MOUNTAINS? WHAT KIND OF GUYS ARE THEY?
WHAT? DEMON DOGS OF KAI?
NO. YOU'LL KNOW NOW.
YOU'LL KNOW SOON.

GUA AAH!
GIN, WATCH OUT! RUN!

LOOK OUT! GET AWAY!
WHAT THE HELL?
GUA AH!
!?


GUAHH
!!
!?
GRRR
GRRR


GYA
AH!
GIN!


BUAGH
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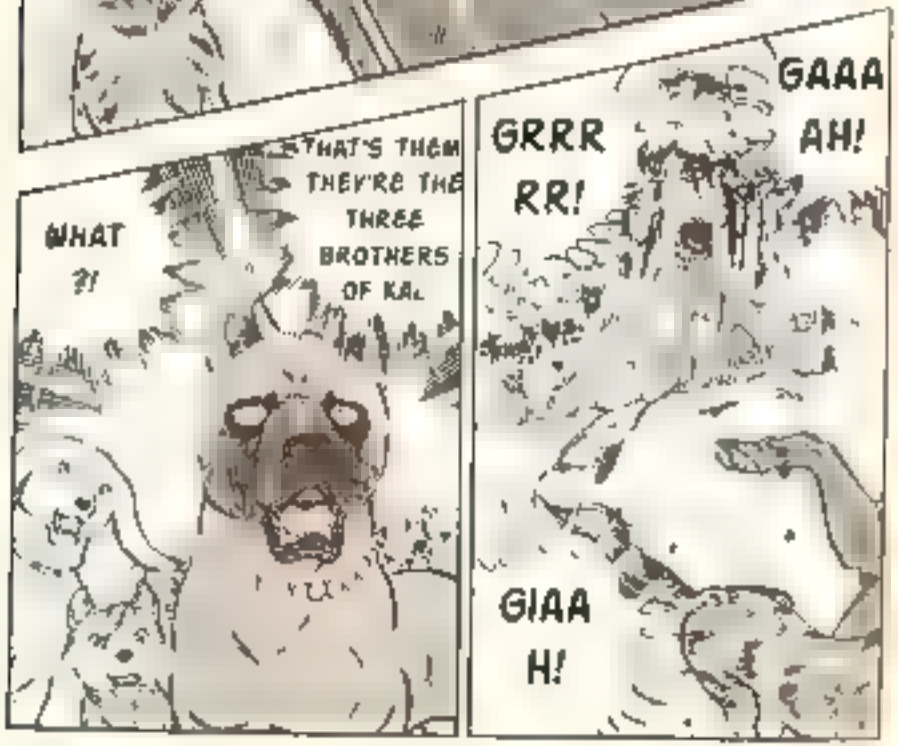
WHAT
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THAT'S THEM
THEY'RE THE
THREE
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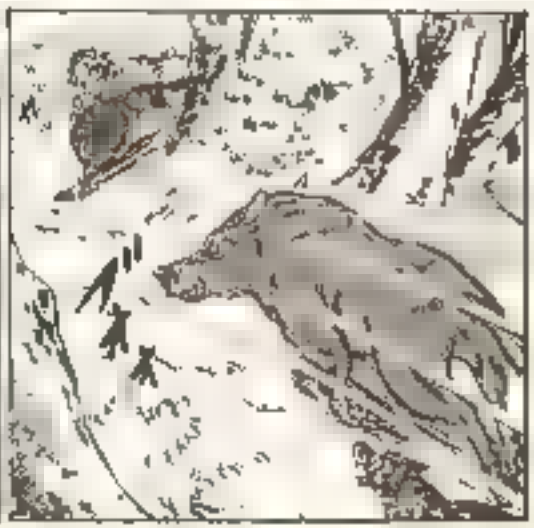
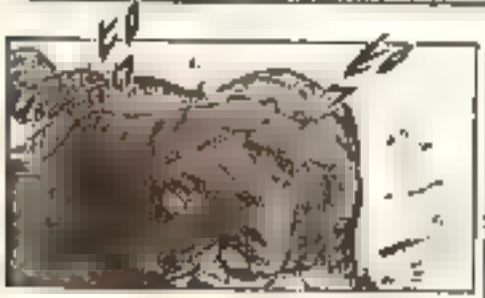
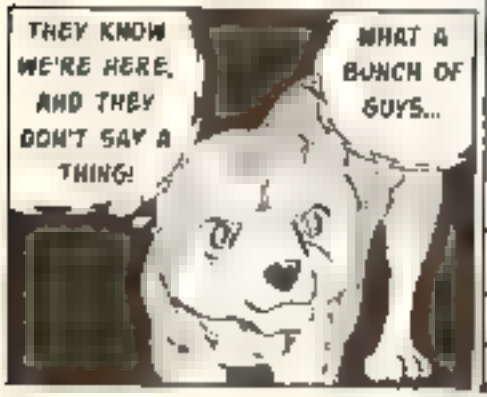
OF KAL

GRRR
RR!
GAAA
AH!
GIAA
H!







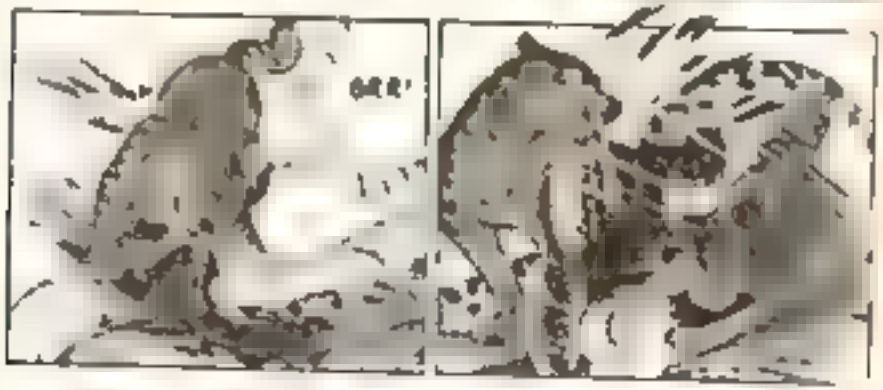
TRANSLATOR'S NOTE.

*AKATORA = RED TIGER

**CHUTORA = HALF TIGER (A MIX OF BOTH RED AND BLACK COLOR)

***KUROTORA = DARK/BLACK TIGER

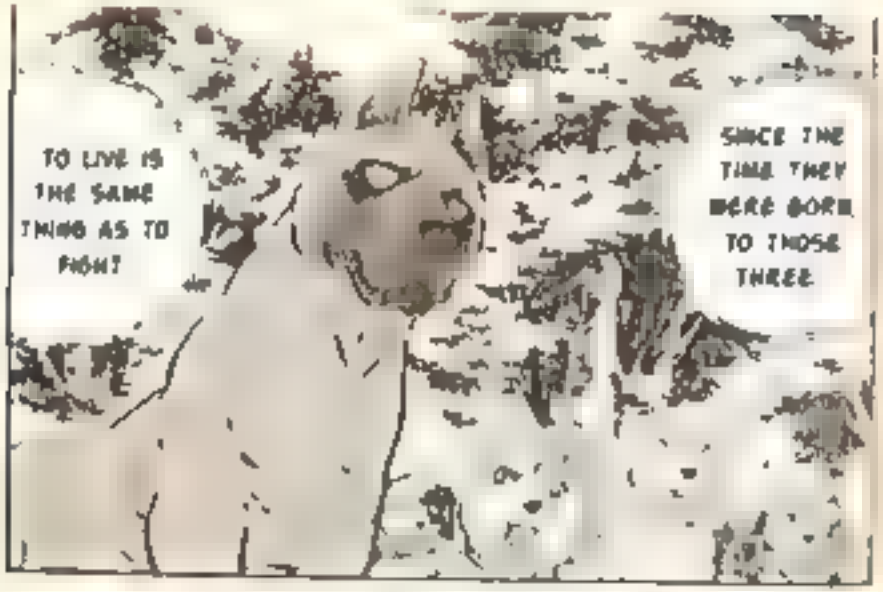
BUT THE THREE OF THEM KNEW NOT TO RUN

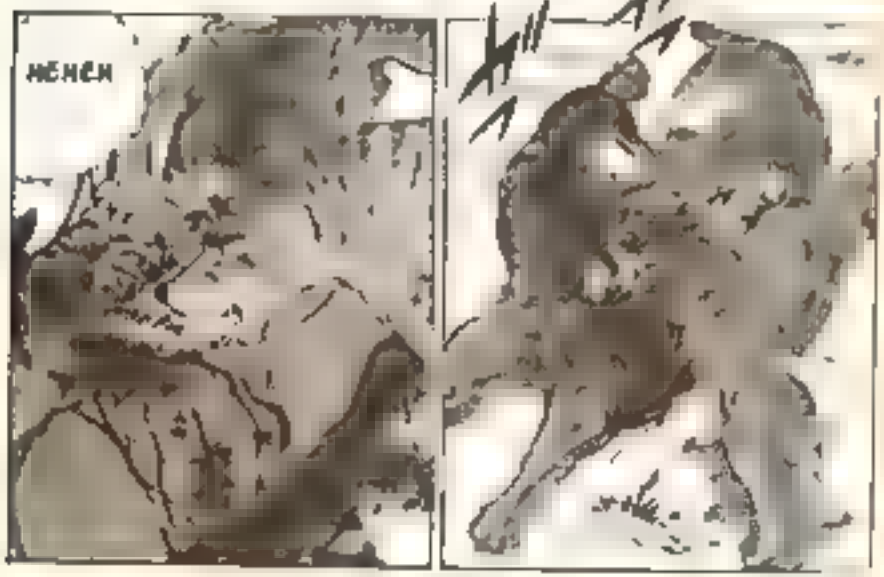

GRR!

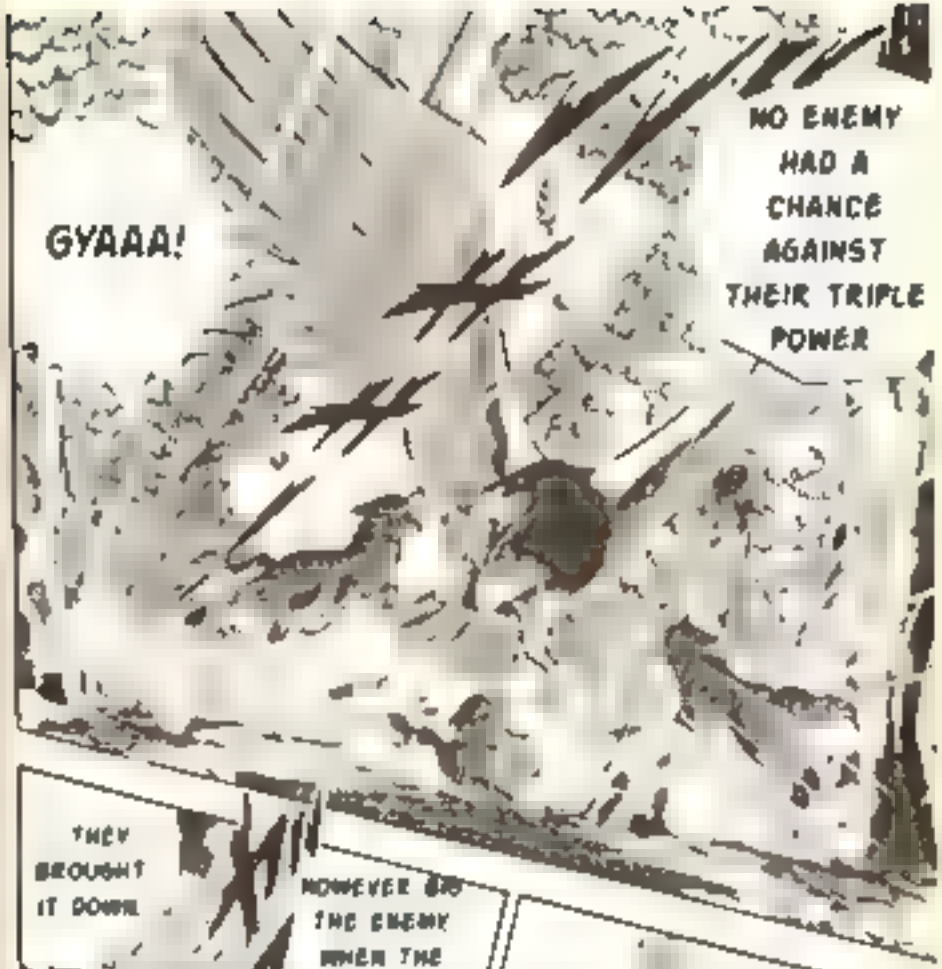
AND ATE IT TO LIVE
THEY REVERSED THE SITUATION KILLED IT

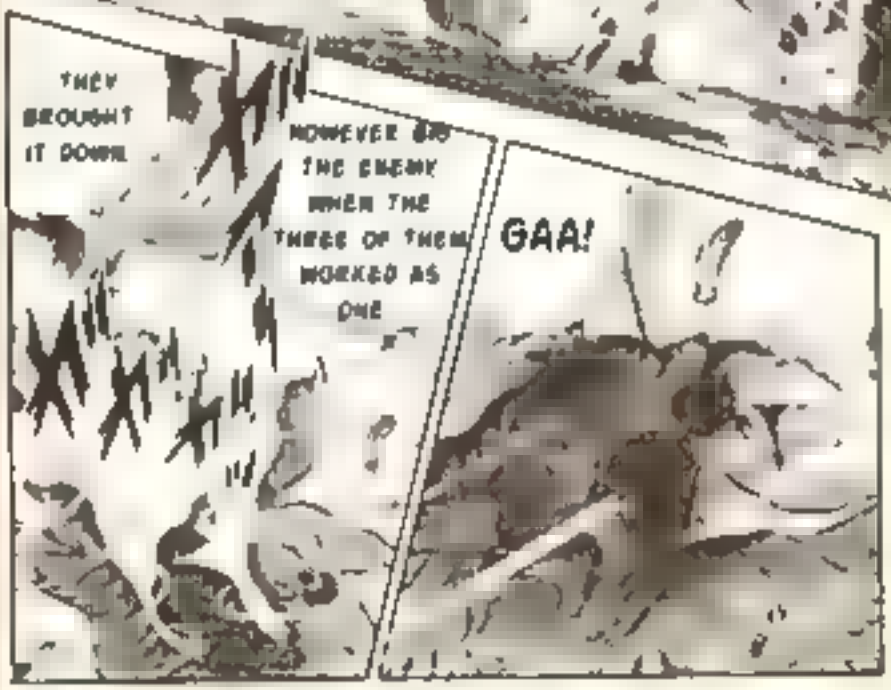
SO THEY KNEW THE ART OF SURVIVING BY NATURE
WHEN THEY WERE ABANDONED THOSE THREE WERE LUCKY TO HAVE VIOLENT KAI DOS BLOOD INSIDE OF THEM

FIRST A SLOW ENEMY CAME AT THEM
IT WAS A SNAKE


TO LIVE IS THE SAME THING AS TO FIGHT
SINCE THE TIME THEY WERE BORN TO THOSE THREE


HEHEH

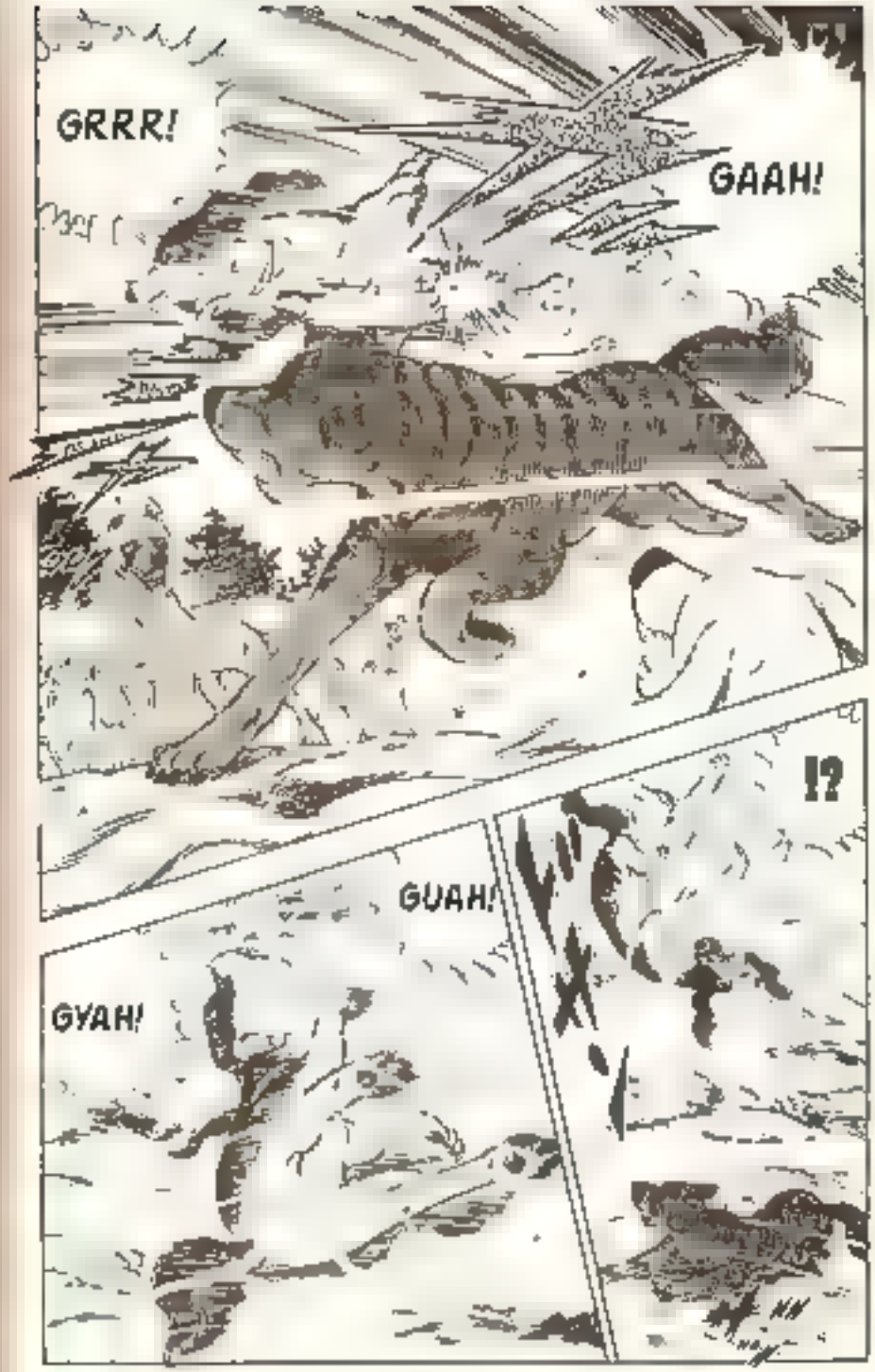

GYAAA!
NO ENEMY HAD A CHANCE AGAINST THEIR TRIPLE POWER

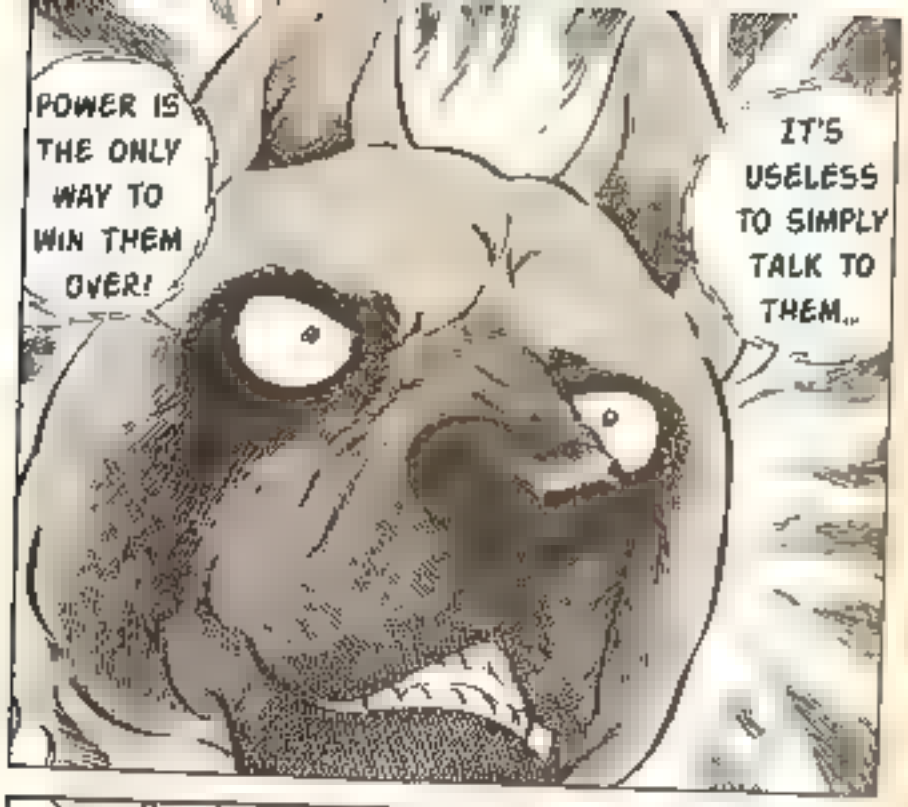

THEY BROUGHT IT DOWN
HOWEVER DID THE ENEMY WHEN THE THREE OF THEM WORKED AS ONE
GAA!

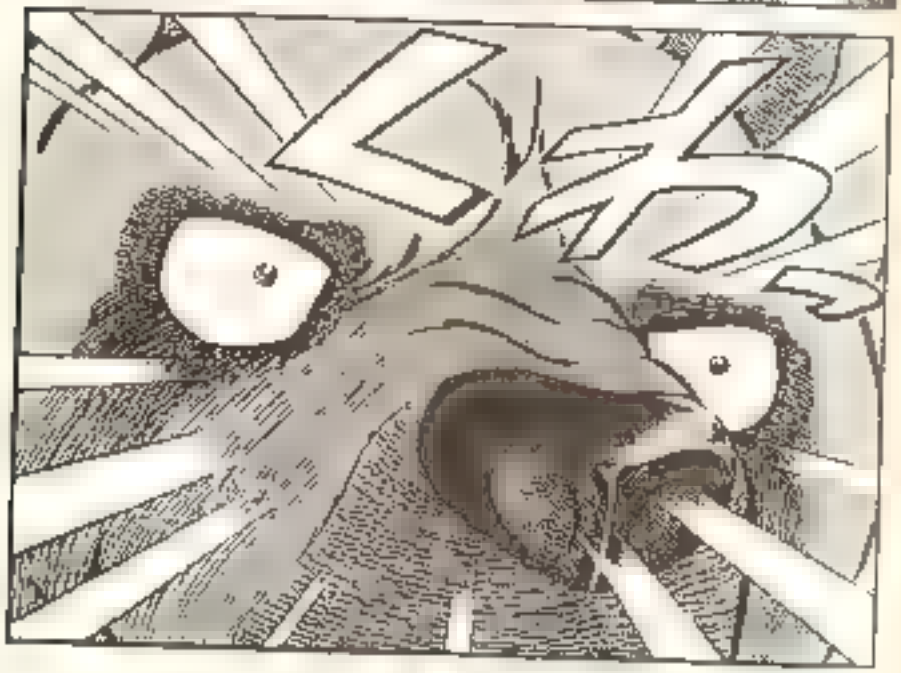
I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU'RE BLABBERING ABOUT OUR PAST...
THEY REALLY ARE WILD MUTTS!
JEEZ... WHAT SLOPPY EATERS...

WHAT THE HELL DO YOU WANT?
KRAK

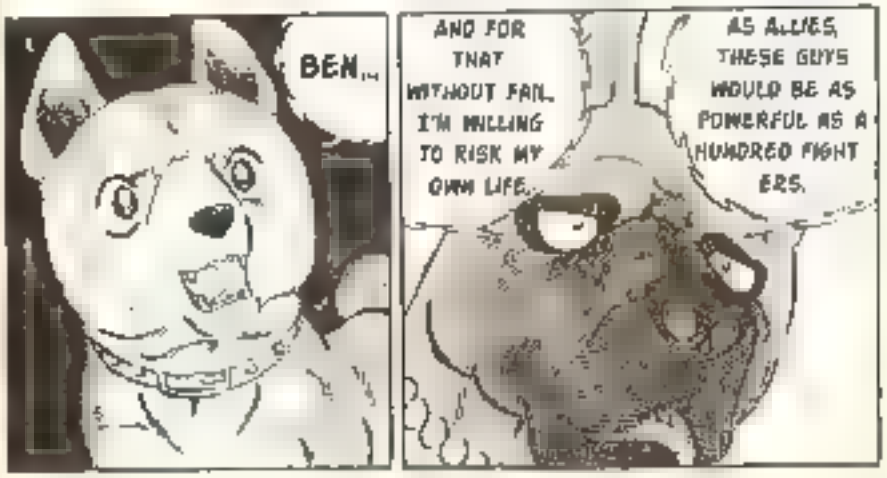
BASTARD! DON'T THINK YOU CAN GET OFF THAT EASILY!
IT WASN'T LIKE THAT BEN... DAMMIT...
YOU IDIOT! WHY'D YOU HAVE TO SAY THAT?
DON'T CROSS!
DON'T DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE DOING?
I'LL KILL YOU!
JUST WAIT AND AFTER WE'VE FINISHED OUR MEAL WE'LL KILL ALL OF YOU!
THERE'S NO RUSH TO START THE KILLING.

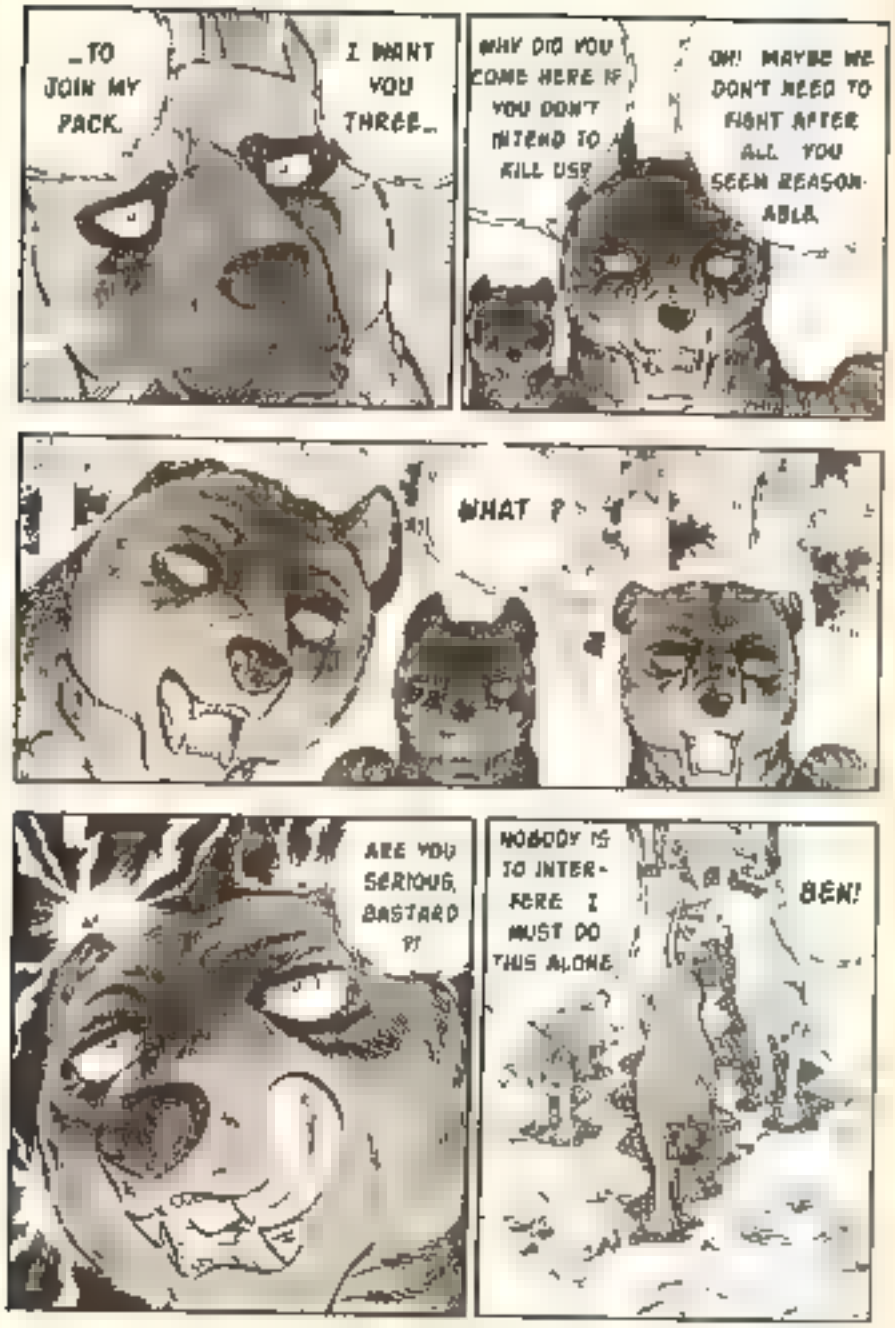

GRRR!
GAAH!
!?
GUAH!
GYAH!


POWER IS THE ONLY WAY TO WIN THEM OVER!
IT'S USELESS TO SIMPLY TALK TO THEM..

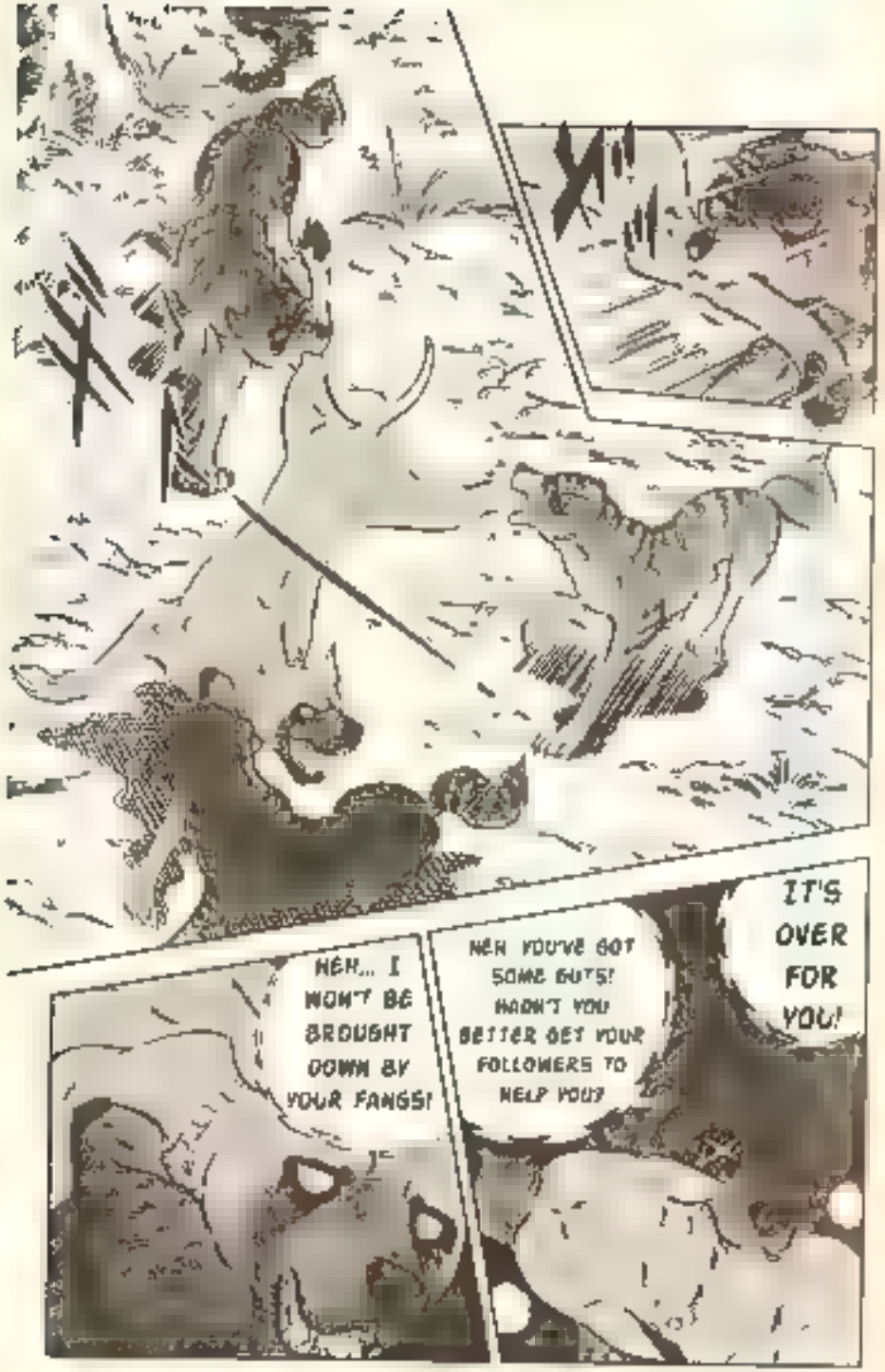


YEAH
BEN, AREN'T YOU GOING TO DO SOMETHING..?

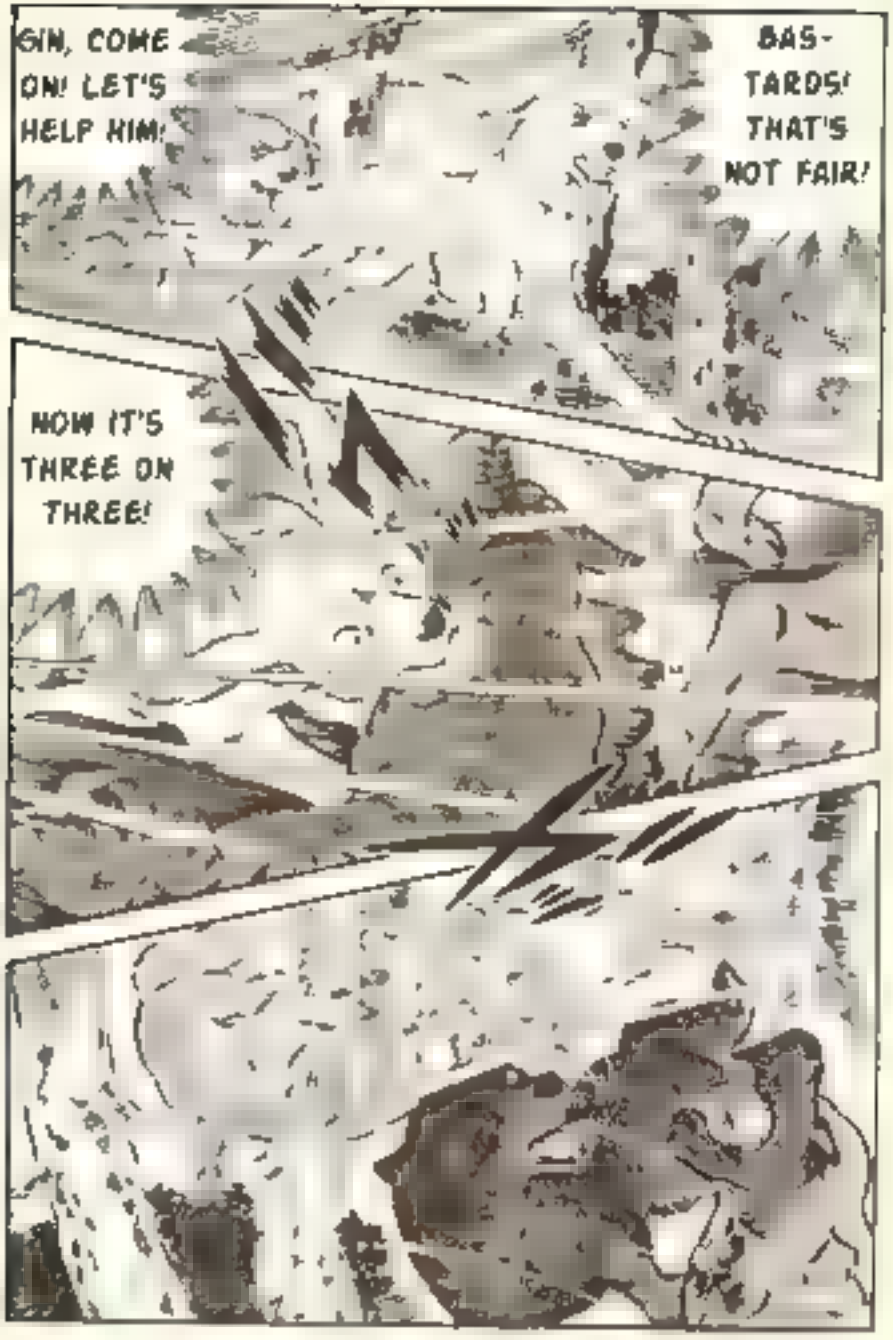

BEN..
AND FOR THAT WITHOUT FAIL I'M WILLING TO RISK MY OWN LIFE.
AS ALLIES, THESE GUYS WOULD BE AS POWERFUL AS A HUNDRED FIGHTERS.

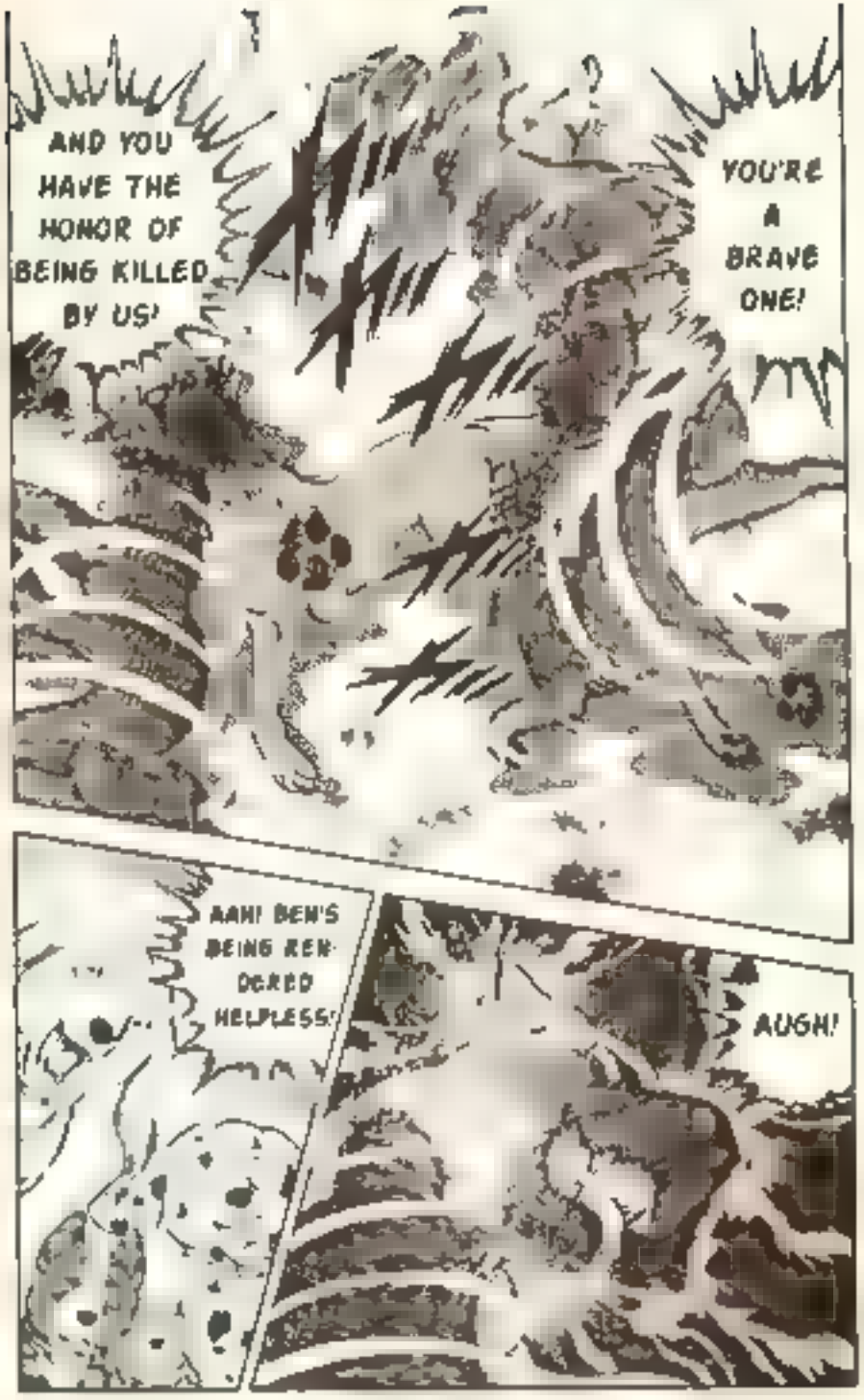

...TO JOIN MY PACK.
I WANT YOU THREE...
WHY DID YOU COME HERE IF YOU DON'T INTEND TO KILL US?
OH! MAYBE WE DON'T NEED TO FIGHT AFTER ALL. YOU SEEM REASONABLE.
WHAT ?
ARE YOU SERIOUS, BASTARD ?!
NOBODY IS TO INTERFERE. I MUST DO THIS ALONE.
BEN!

I'M BEN.
YOU WEREN'T TALKING CRAP WHEN YOU SPOKE ABOUT US. BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN YOU BEFORE. WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
HEH... YOU'RE A BAD-LOOKING GUY I'M GOING TO ASSUME THAT YOU'RE THE LEADER
WHERE HAVE I HEARD THAT NAME BEFORE?
BEN... ?
I TOO WAS BORN IN THIS AREA.
YOU KNOW OF ME. I'M GLAD.


NÉH... I WON'T BE BROUGHT DOWN BY YOUR FANGS!
NÉH YOU'VE GOT SOME GUTS! HADN'T YOU BETTER GET YOUR FOLLOWERS TO HELP YOU?
IT'S OVER FOR YOU!

DON'T HOLD BACK! ALL OF YOU, COME ON!
YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE UP AGAINST!
I'M ENOUGH FOR YOU!


GIN, COME ON! LET'S HELP HIM!
BAS- TARDS! THAT'S NOT FAIR!
NOW IT'S THREE ON THREE!


AND YOU HAVE THE HONOR OF BEING KILLED BY US!
YOU'RE A BRAVE ONE!
AAH! BEN'S BEING REN- DERED HELPLESS!
AUGH!

TO THINK OF ME AS THE SAME AS EVERY OTHER TORA-GE IS NARROW MINDED!
I'M NOT A KID! MY NAME IS GIN!
AS EXPECTED! FROM A TORA-GE EVEN IF YOU'RE A KID YOU'VE GOT NERVE.
HEH... MY FIGHT IS WITH THIS KID?
DON'T TALK BIG, BRAT!
I'M GIN! GIN. THE TORA-GE BEAR-HOUND!
I'M NOT A BRAT!

GRRR...!
GYAAH!

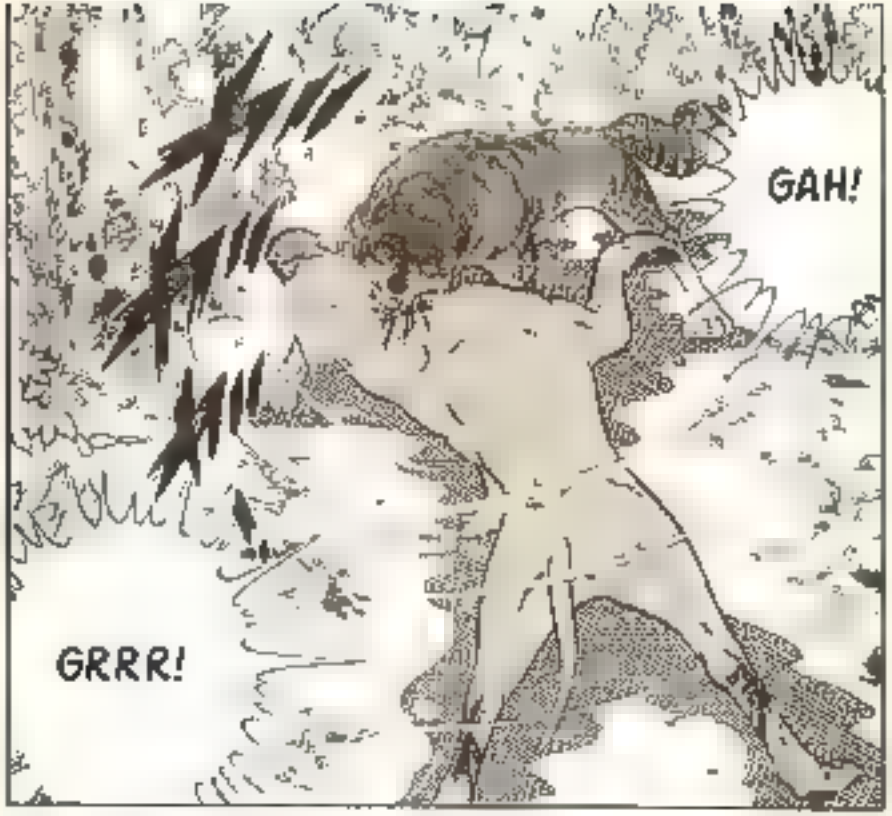
HIS OPPO-
NENT CAN'T
FOLLOW HIS
MOVEMENTS!
NOAH,
LOOK AT
GIN!
..I WON'T
BE ABLE
TO
DEFEAT
HIM!
IT'S USELESS!
IF I KEEP
RUNNING AWAY
LIKE THIS.
SHIT..!
FOO
FOO

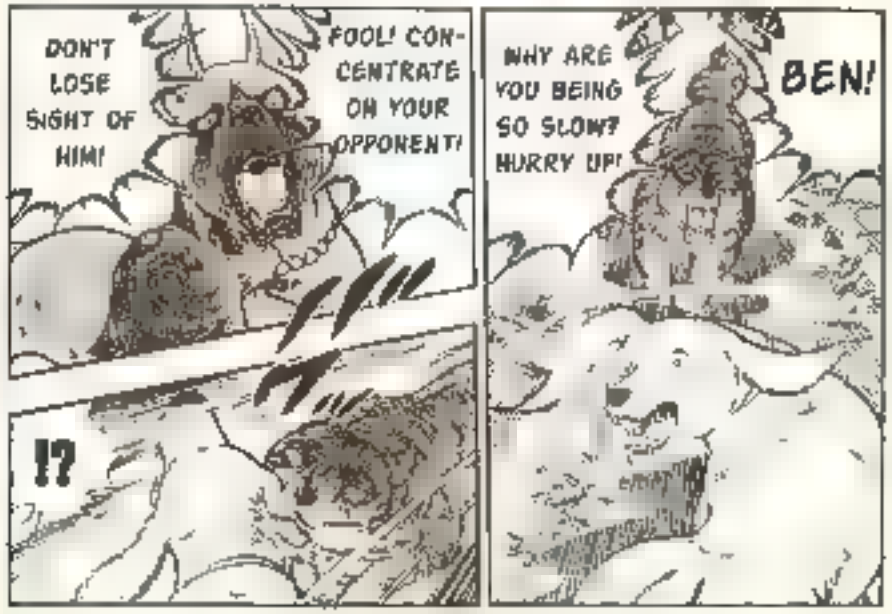
!?

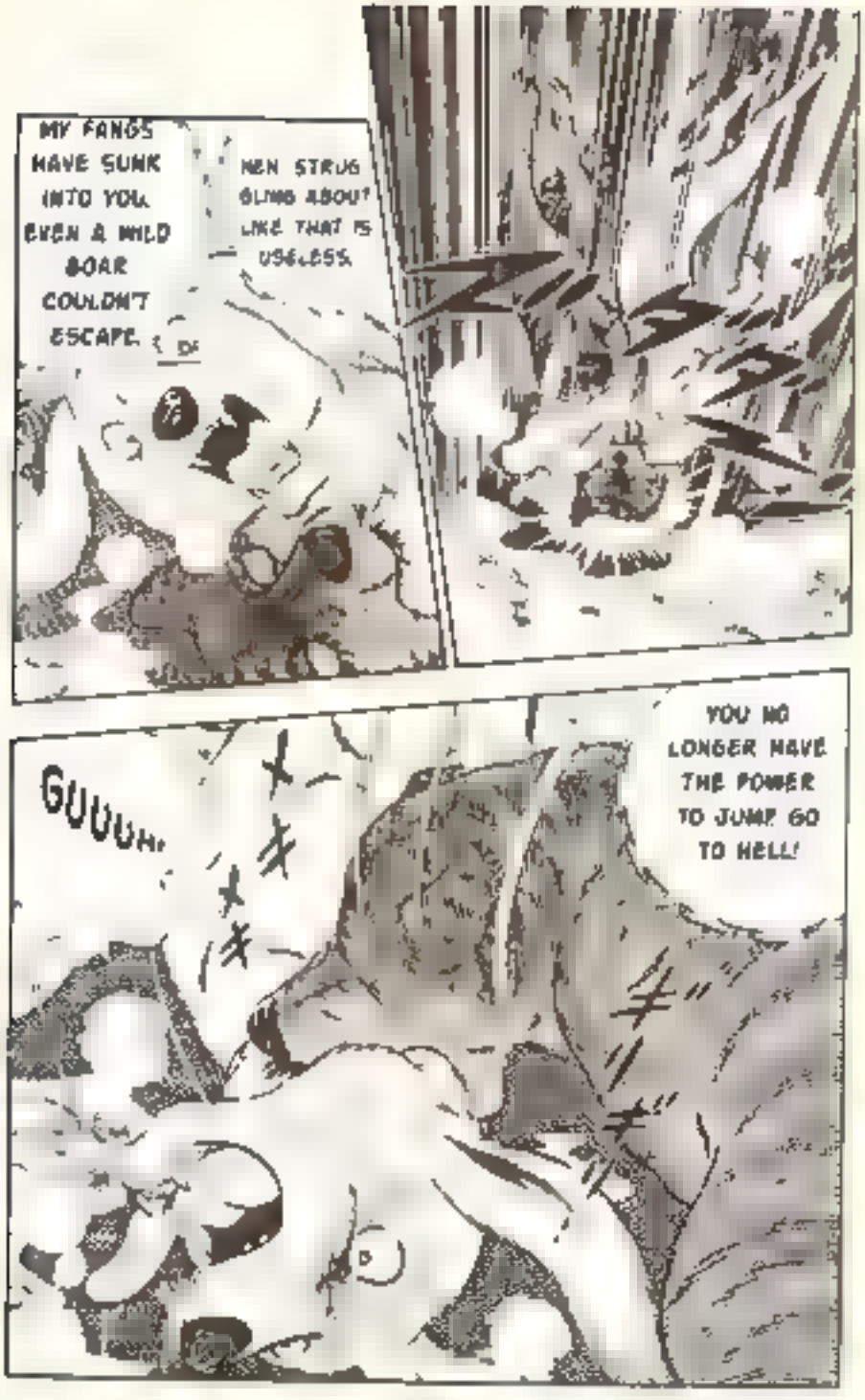
HOW CAN I WIN THIS FIGHT?
IF I TAKE JUST ONE BITE LIKE THAT IT'S OVER!

WHAT SHOULD I DO...?
SHIT HE'S LAUGHING! IS THERE NOTHING I CAN DO TO DEFEAT HIM?
YOUR WORLD IS GONNA GET PAINFUL!
HEH. YOU MAY BE A BIT FASTER THAN I AM BUT

KYA AA!
AFTER BEING HELD DOWN, SHE WAS STRUGGLING.
THOUGH HER SPIRIT WAS STRONG, CROSS WAS STILL FEMALE.


GAH!
GRRR!


DON'T LOSE SIGHT OF HIM!
FOOL! CONCENTRATE ON YOUR OPPONENT!
!?
WHY ARE YOU BEING SO SLOW? HURRY UP!
BEN!

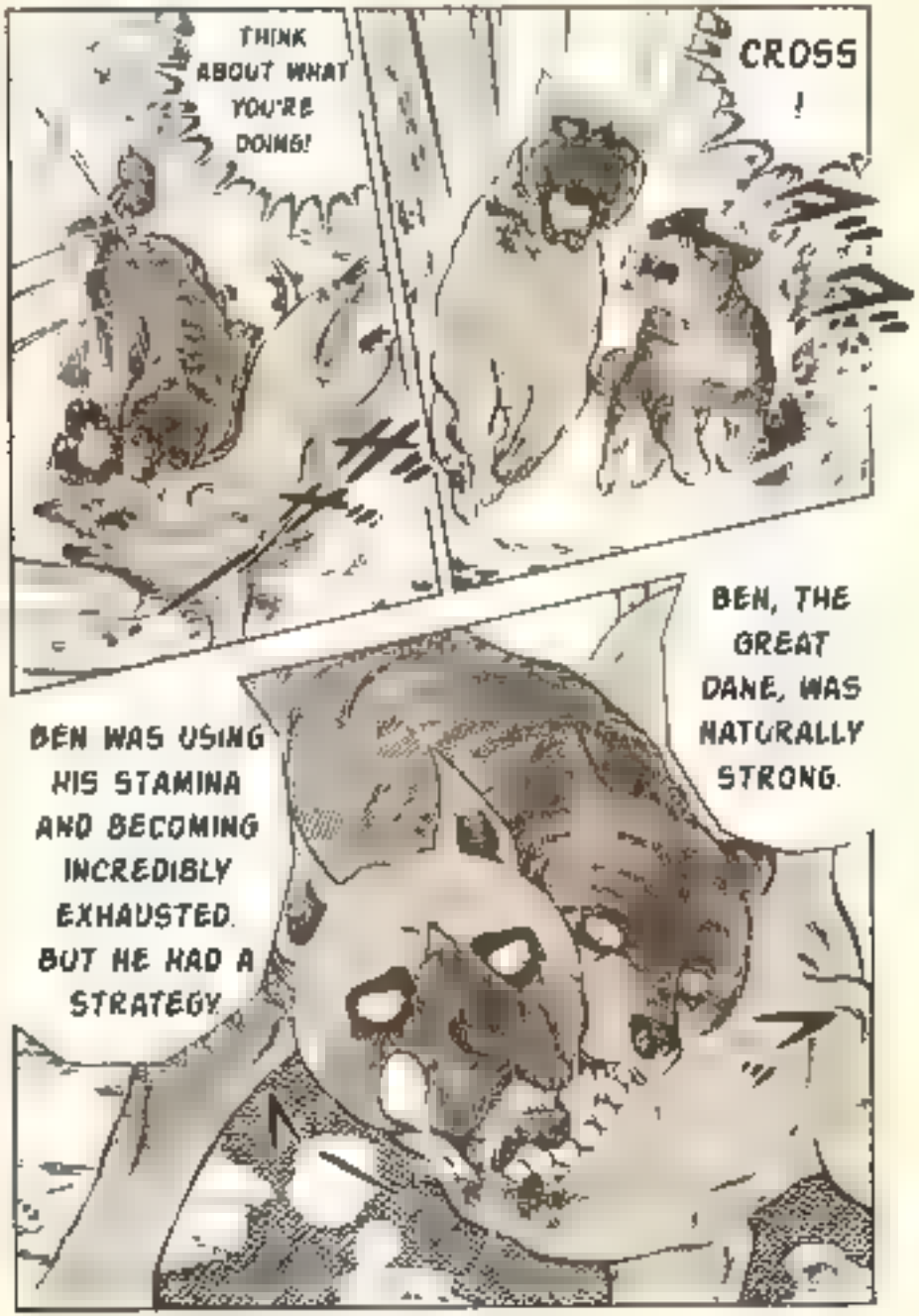

MY FANGS HAVE SUNK INTO YOU. EVEN A WILD BOAR COULDN'T ESCAPE.
MEN STRUGGLING ABOUT LIKE THAT IS USELESS.
GUUUH.
YOU NO LONGER HAVE THE POWER TO JUMP GO TO HELL!

BUT CHUTORA WOULDN'T LOOSEN HIS HOLD
CROSS STRUGGLED WITH HER OWN PRIDE_

SHIT ! CAN'T YOU SEE WHAT'LL HAPPEN IF WE DON'T DO ANYTHING?!

!?
DON'T MOVE!

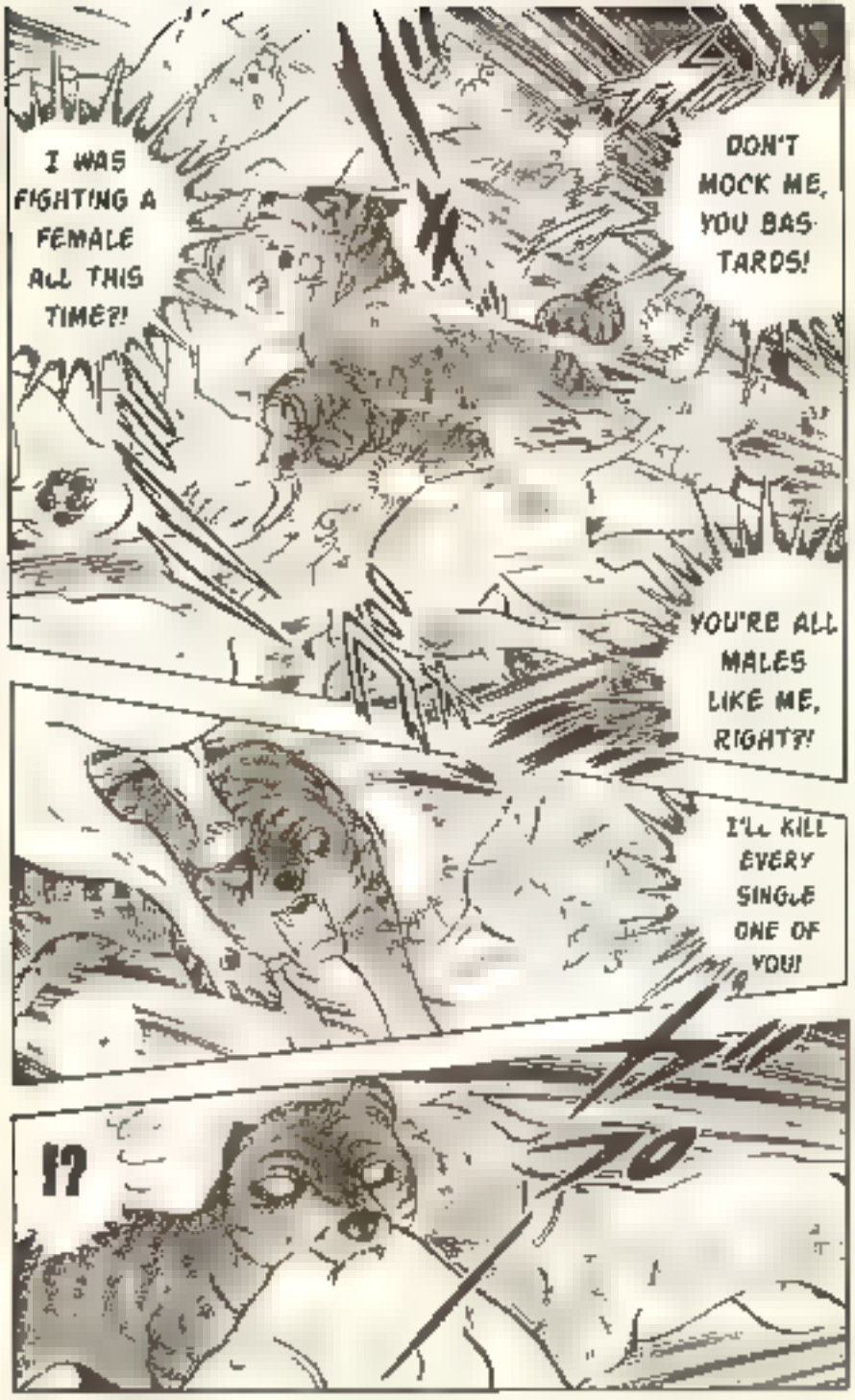
DON'T WORRY.
I WAS READY FROM THE BEGINNING.
DON'T INTERFERE!
THREE ON THREE WAS THE DEAL
BUT BEN! AT THIS RATE, CROSS WILL BE KILLED!


THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE DOING!
CROSS !
BEN, THE GREAT DANE, WAS NATURALLY STRONG.
BEN WAS USING HIS STAMINA AND BECOMING INCREDIBLY EXHAUSTED. BUT HE HAD A STRATEGY.

DON'T FIGHT A FEMALE. FIGHT ME INSTEAD!
DON'T MAKE THIS MISTAKE! CROSS IS A FEMALE.
IN A FIGHT, IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU'RE MALE OR FEMALE!
DON'T SAY SUCH CRAP, GIN.
A FEMALE?!
WHAT?!

KUROTORA, WHY DID YOU LET THIS KID COME OVER HERE?!
BRAT!

RIDICULE ME FURTHER, AND YOU'LL BE KILLED!
STOP IT WOMAN.
I'M YOUR OPPO-NENT!
DON'T DO THAT!
SHOW ME THE POWER YOU LOT SHOWED BEN. THAT'S WHAT I REALLY WANT!
I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU TRY IT DEMON DOG OF KAI!
WHAT THE HELL DO YOU LOT WANT?!
WH... WHAT?

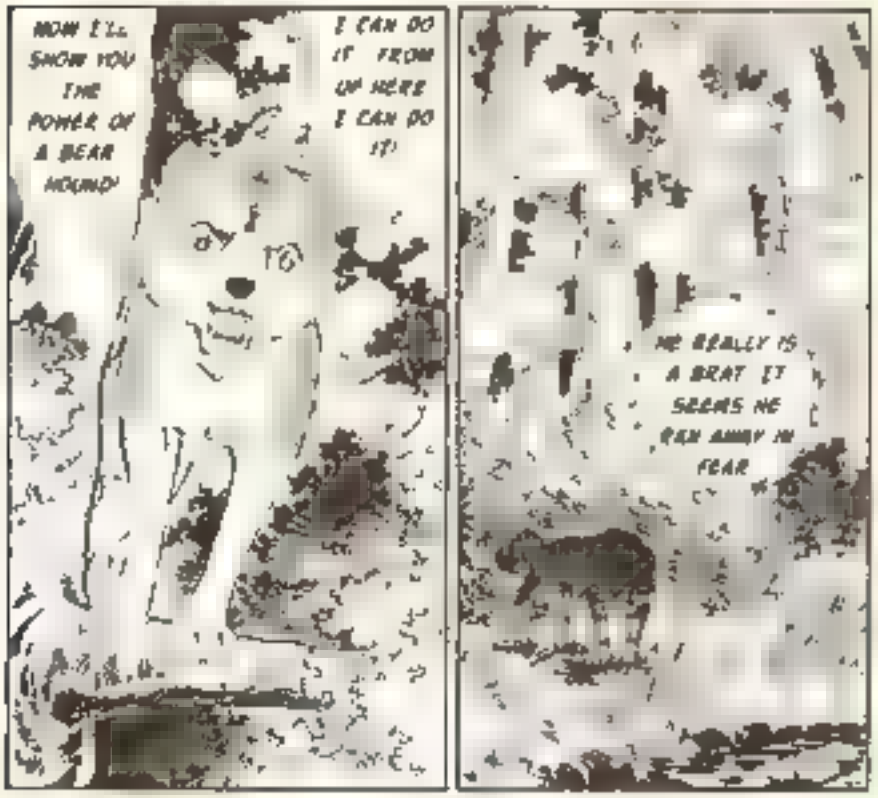

I WAS FIGHTING A FEMALE ALL THIS TIME?!
DON'T MOCK ME, YOU BAS-TARDS!
YOU'RE ALL MALES LIKE ME, RIGHT?!
I'LL KILL EVERY SINGLE ONE OF YOU!
KILL
YOU
!?

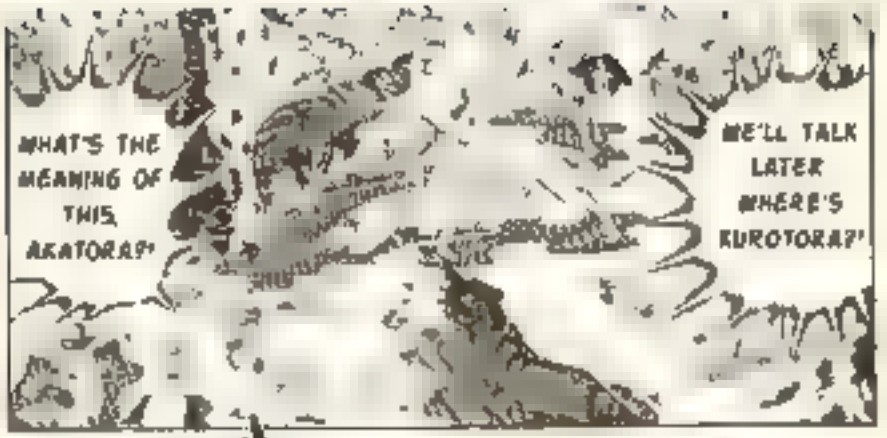
AKATORA, THE FIGHTING STARTS NOW.
HEH DON'T TAKE ME LIGHTLY.
YOU'RE A BIT WEAK TO BE THE LEADER OF A PACK.
HEH IS THIS TOO MUCH FOR YOU?
BUT HOW DOES HE KNOW OUR NAMES?
WHAT A STUB BORN BASTARD.
LET'S GO, AKATORA.

STOP THIS! STOP FIGHTING!
CHI,TORA! KUROTORA!
HE'S THE ONE WHO SAVED OUR LIVES!
WE CAN'T FIGHT HIM..
WHAT ?!

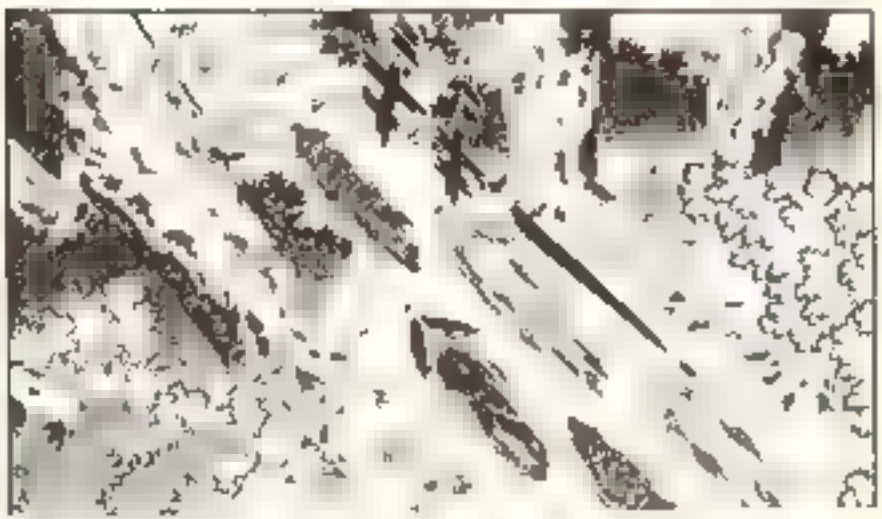
A DEMON DOG OF KAI IS WILLING TO LISTEN? AMAZING..
WHAT'S WRONG? DID MY STAMINA SCARE YOU?
ARE YOU..
C. COULD IT BE..
I'LL FIGHT FOR MY PACK.
THROWING AWAY A CHANCE TO FIGHT?
IS IT HIM?!
NO DOUBT ABOUT IT. HIS SCENT IS STILL DIM IN MY MEMORY.

WHERE DID THAT BASTARD DISAPPEAR TO?
WHY DID HE LURE ME OUT HERE?


NOW I'LL SHOW YOU THE POWER OF A BEAR HOUND!
I CAN DO IT FROM UP HERE I CAN DO IT!
HE REALLY IS A BRAT IT SEEMS HE RAN AWAY IN FEAR

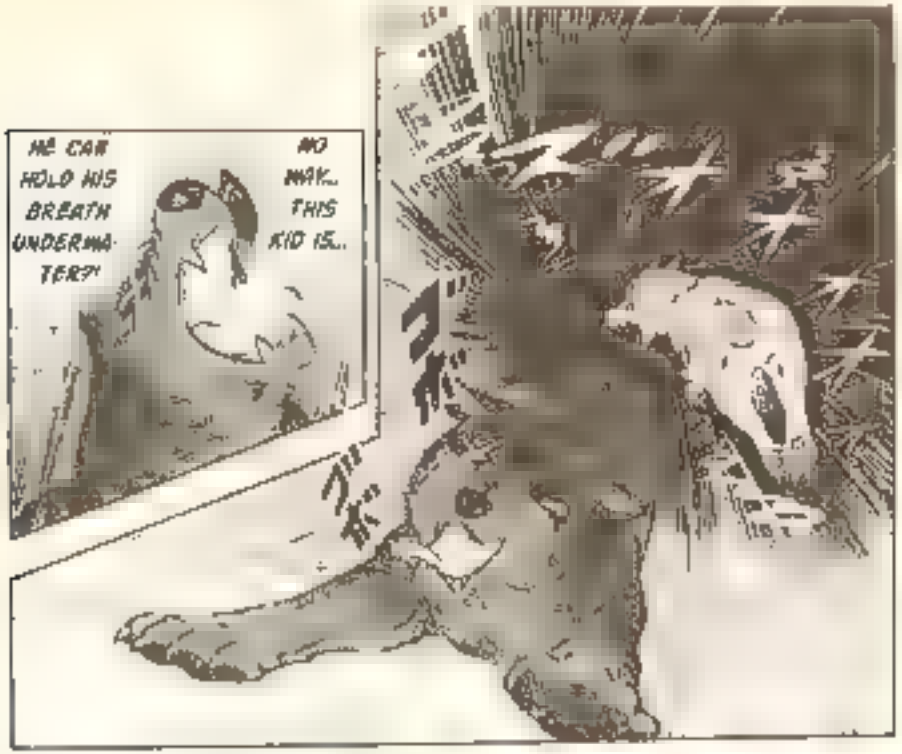

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS, AKATORA?!
WE'LL TALK LATER WHERE'S KUROTORA?!

I CAN'T LET A SUBORDINATE OF THE ONE WHO SAVED MY LIFE DIE.
HURRY AND FIND THEM!
THEY RAN INTO THE FOREST!
GIN.. GIN'S NOT HERE EITHER.

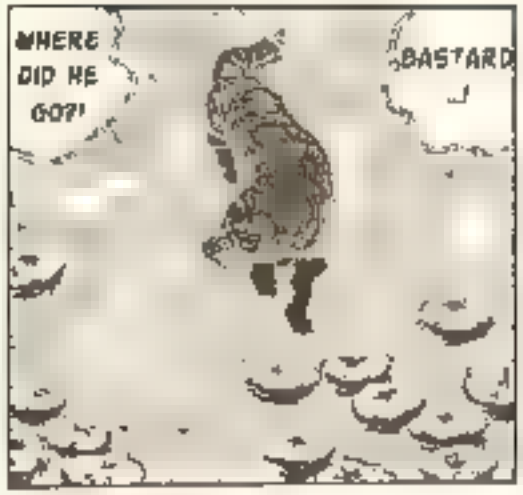


UAAAGH
!

I'M UP HERE, KUROTORA!
WHERE ARE YOU LOOKING?
WHAT?!


HE CAN HOLD HIS BREATH UNDERWATER?!
NO WAY... THIS KID IS...

OK, NOW I HAVE TO KEEP MY BREATH AS LONG AS I CAN!
NOW HE CAN'T USE HIS STRENGTH!

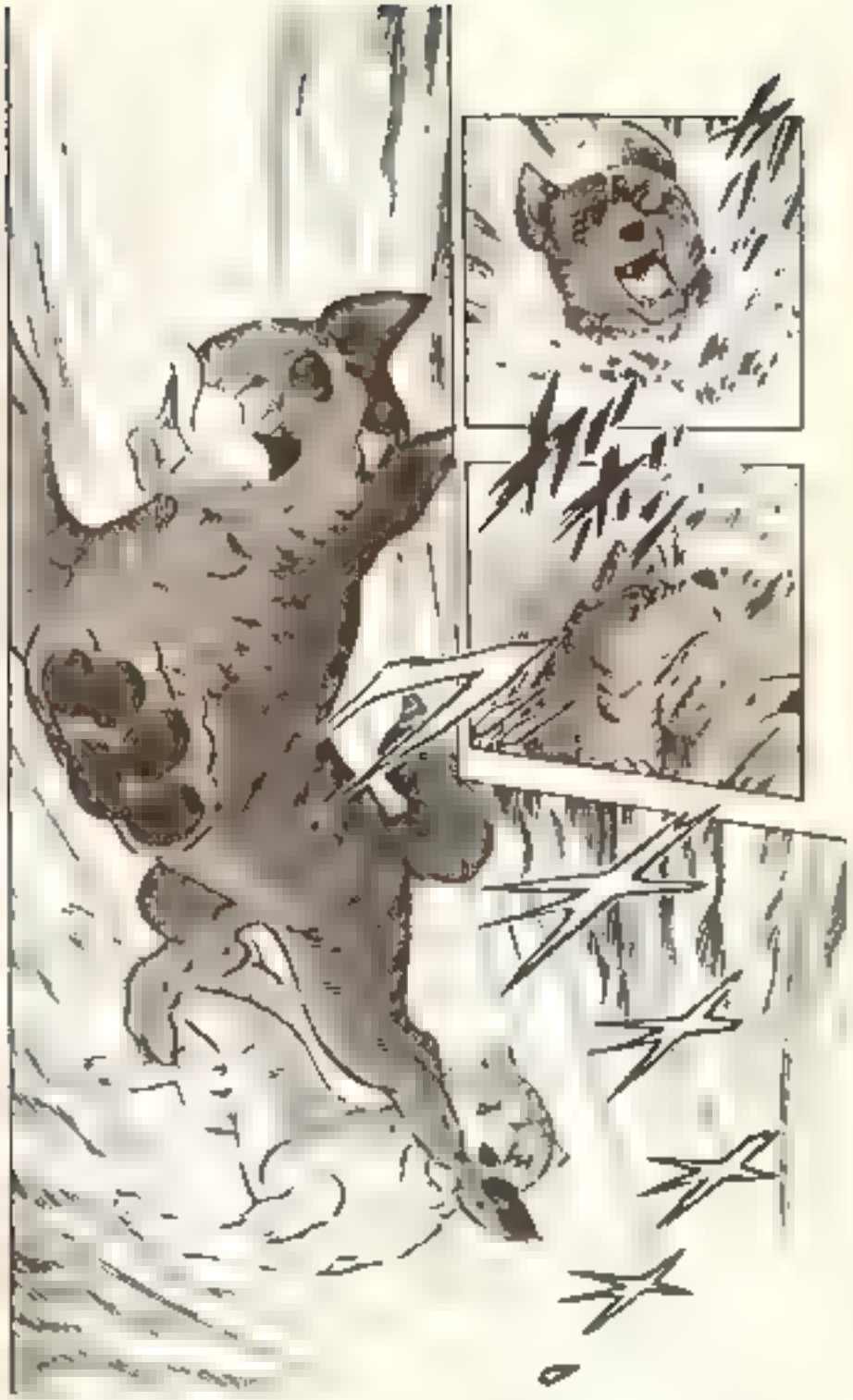

WHERE DID HE GO?!
BASTARD

GUAH!

JEEZ, THAT FOOL MUST HAVE DROWNED!

THE TRAINING HE RECEIVED FROM GRAMPA TAKEDA WHEN HE WAS YOUNG WAS NOW HELPING HIM.
THIS WAS JIN'S PLAN.

IF HE TOOK A BITE FROM KUROTORA, THERE'S NO HOPE FOR HIM...!
THINGS ARE LOOKING BAD FOR THAT KID...!
WHERE ARE YOU, GIN?! ANSWER ME!
THEY'RE NOT HERE!
IF GIN GETS KILLED YOU THREE AND YOUR BROTHER WILL PAY WITH YOUR LIVES!
YOU TWO, REMEMBER THIS!
AAH! THAT S...!
WE'LL TALK LATER! FIND GIN!
HEH. WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU CAN DO?



IT'S GIN!
UAH!

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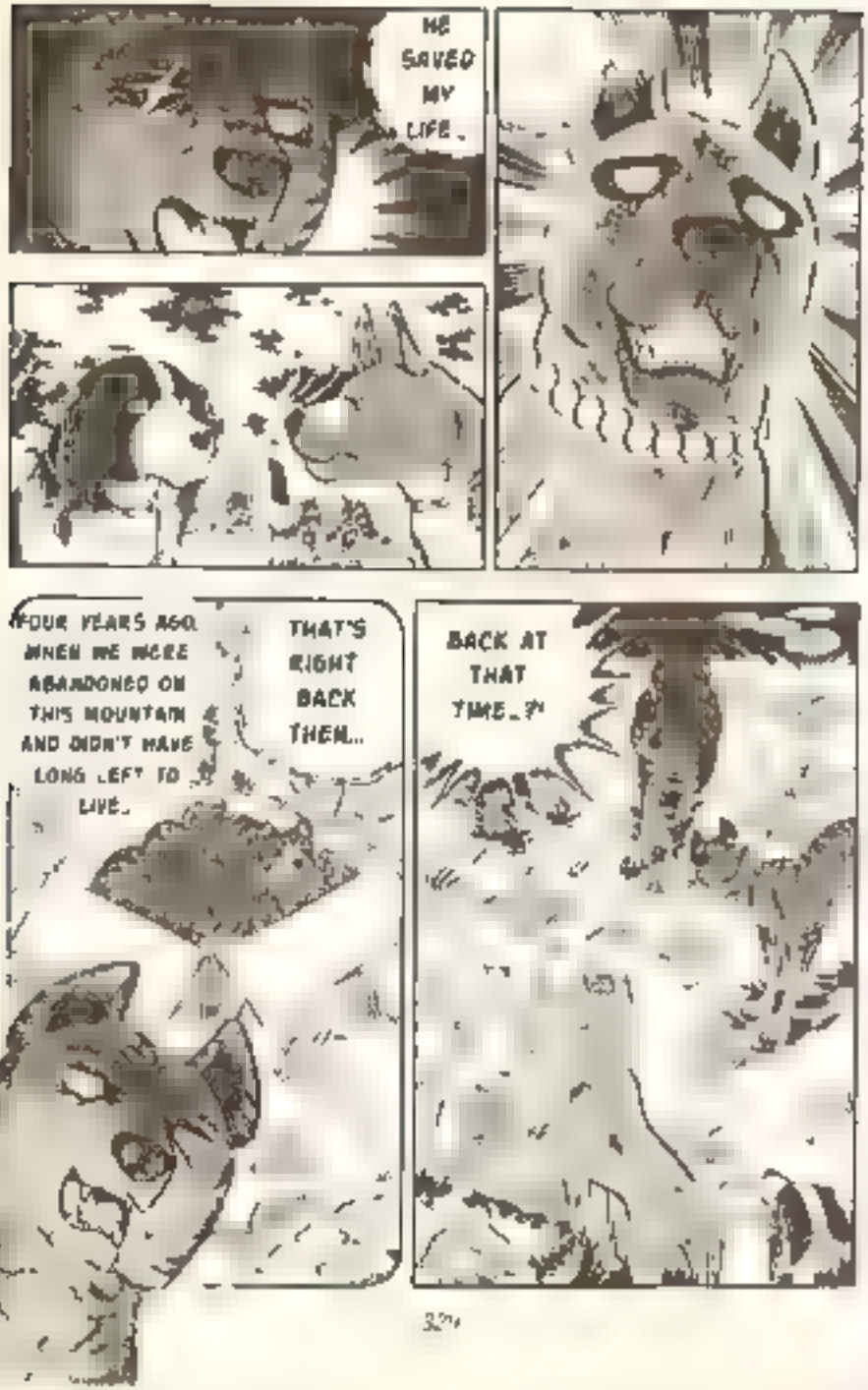
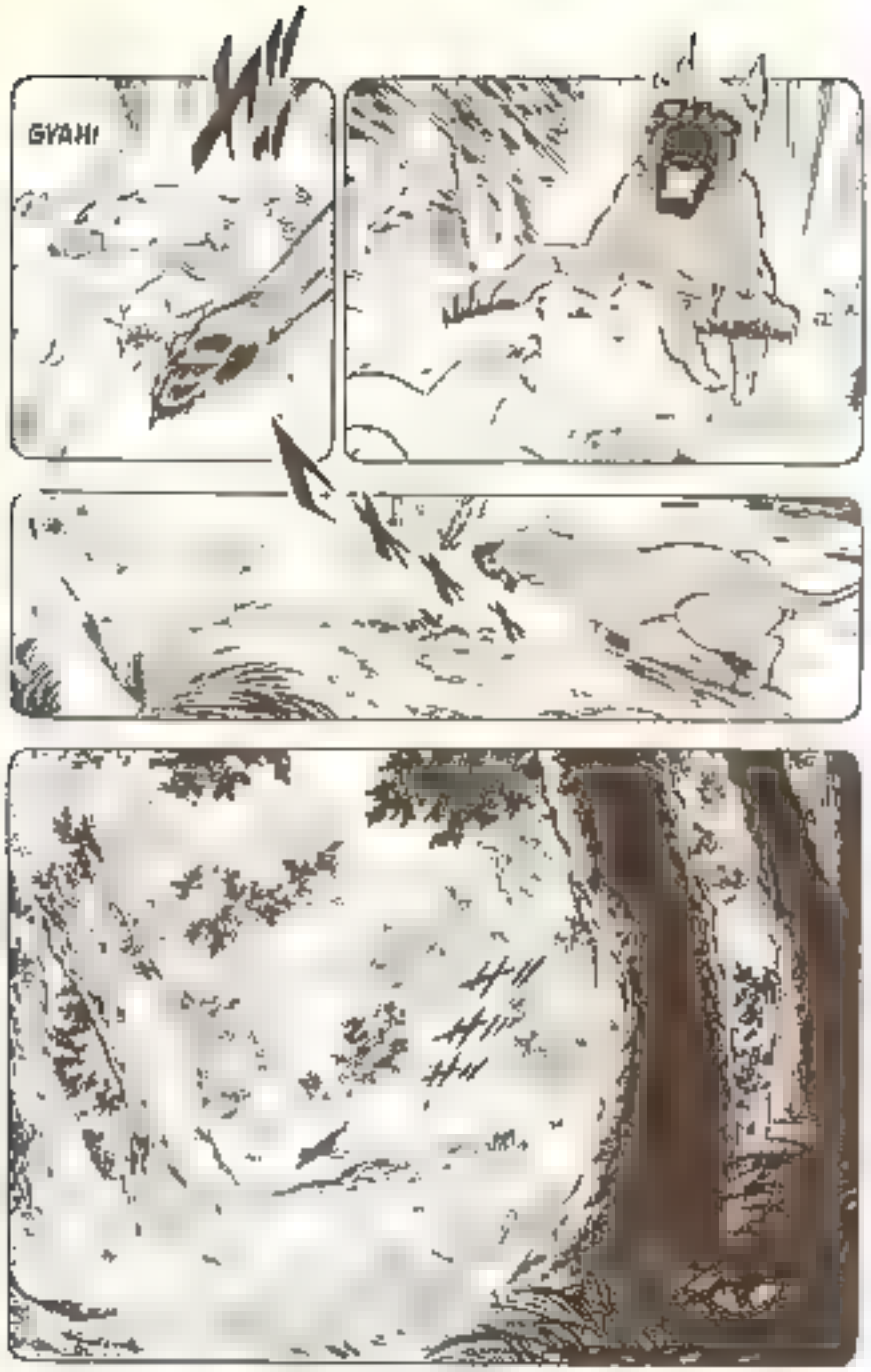
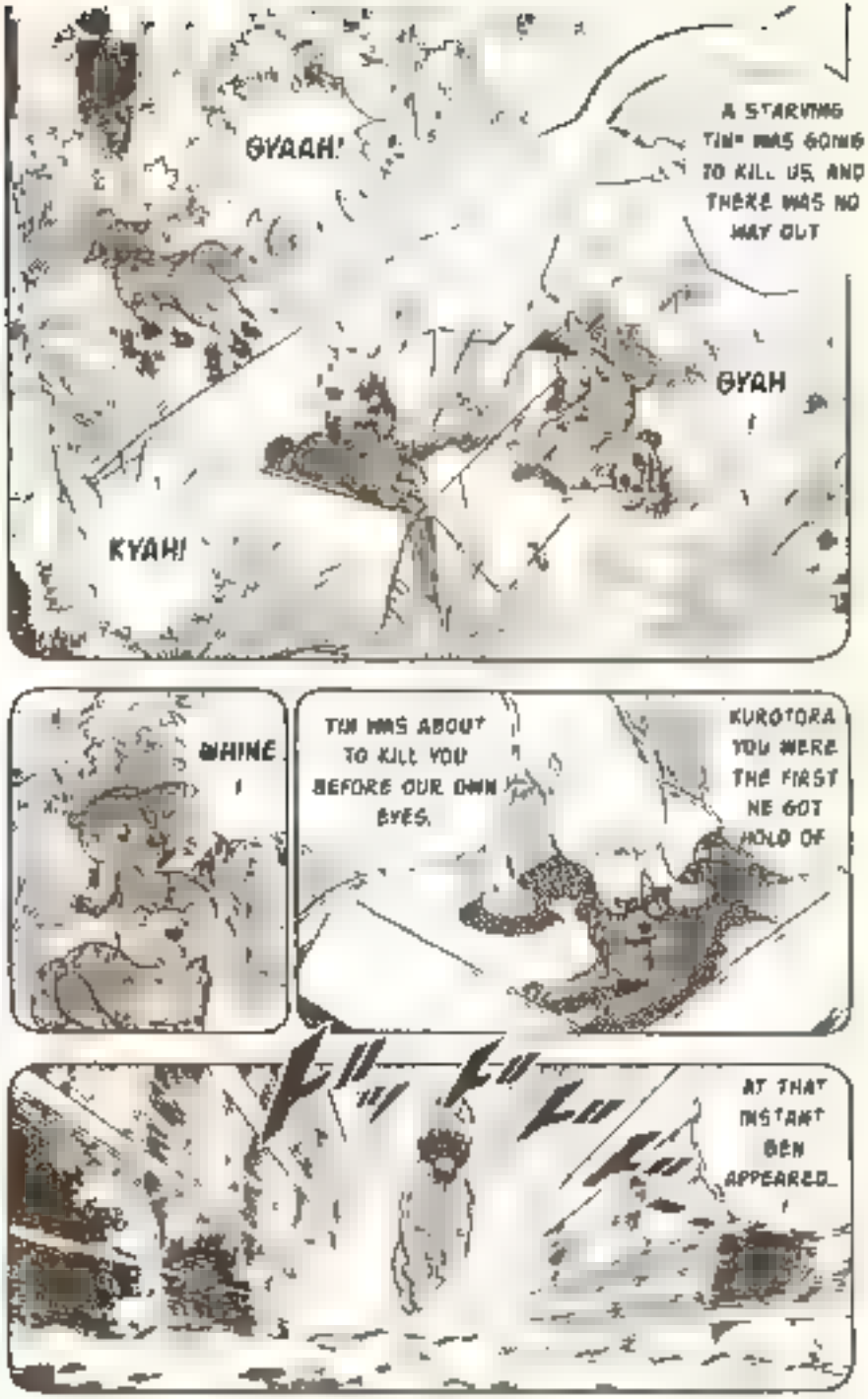
HE JUST SWALLOWED A LITTLE BIT OF WATER
HE'S ALRIGHT HE'S NOT DEAD
KUROTORA! PULL YOUR SELF TOGETHER!
HEY, BROTHER!
GUAH!
WE'RE NOT DONE FIGHTING YET!
YOU BASTARD. HOW DARE YOU!
GUAHAH!
GEEH!

WELL DONE. GIN!
YOU DID IT!
GIN. WHAT A GUY YOU ARE...


HE SAVED MY LIFE.
FOUR YEARS AGO, WHEN WE WERE ABANDONED ON THIS MOUNTAIN AND DIDN'T HAVE LONG LEFT TO LIVE.
THAT'S RIGHT BACK THEN...
BACK AT THAT TIME...?!

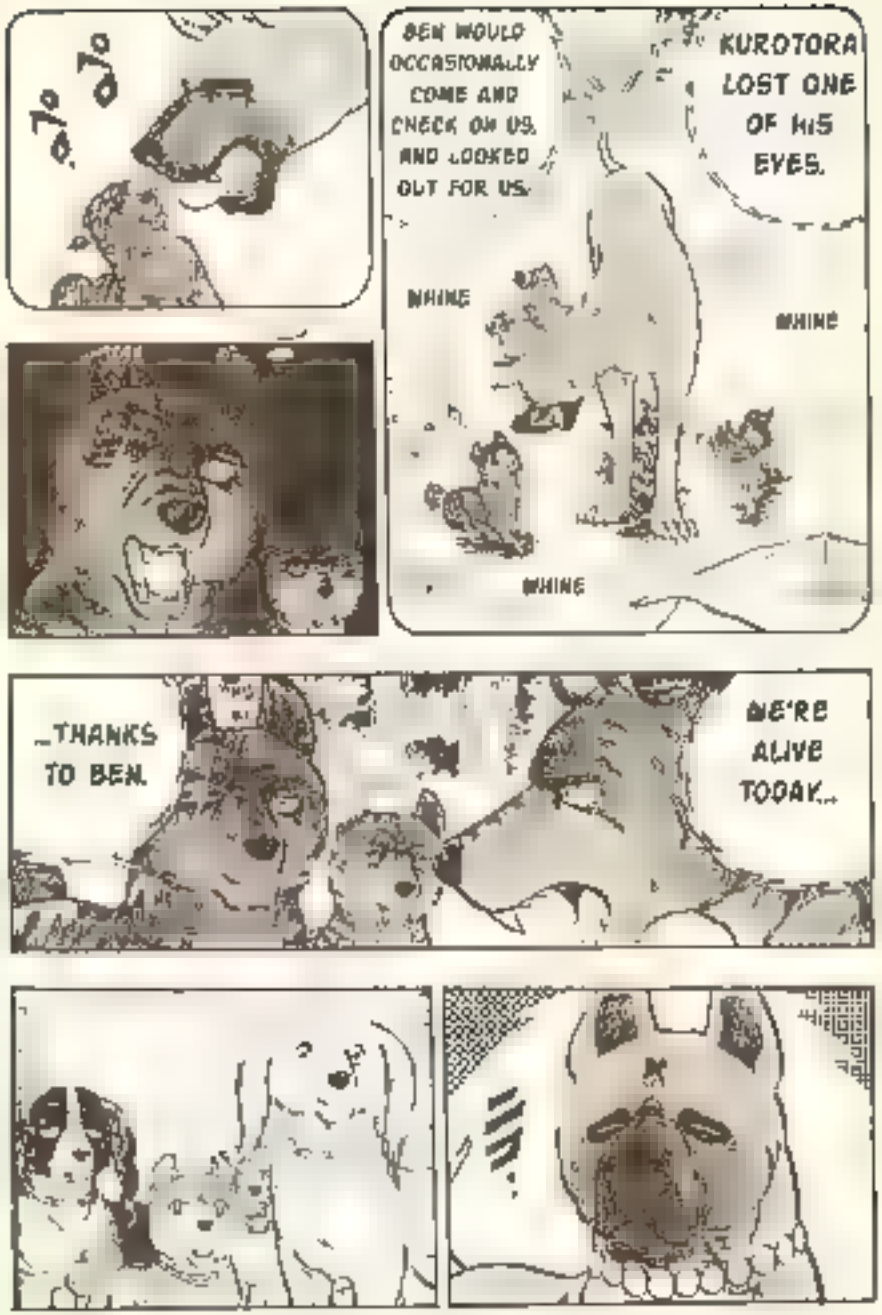
AKATORA: SINCE WHEN WERE YOU SUCH A COWARD?!
DON'T TALK SHIT
WE'RE THE LOSERS HERE!
FOOL, THAT'S ENOUGH KUROTORA!
THESE GUYS AREN'T OUR ENEMIES!
THAT'S NOT THE CASE, KUROTORA.
IT'S BEN. THE ONE WHO SAVED OUR LIVES! BEN!
HAVEN'T YOU REALIZED YET?
WHAT?!




GYAAH!
A STARVING TIN* WAS GOING TO KILL US, AND THERE WAS NO WAY OUT
GYAH
!
KYAH!
WHINE
!
TIN WAS ABOUT TO KILL YOU BEFORE OUR OWN EYES.
KUROTORA YOU WERE THE FIRST HE GOT HOLD OF
AT THAT INSTANT BEN APPEARED.
!

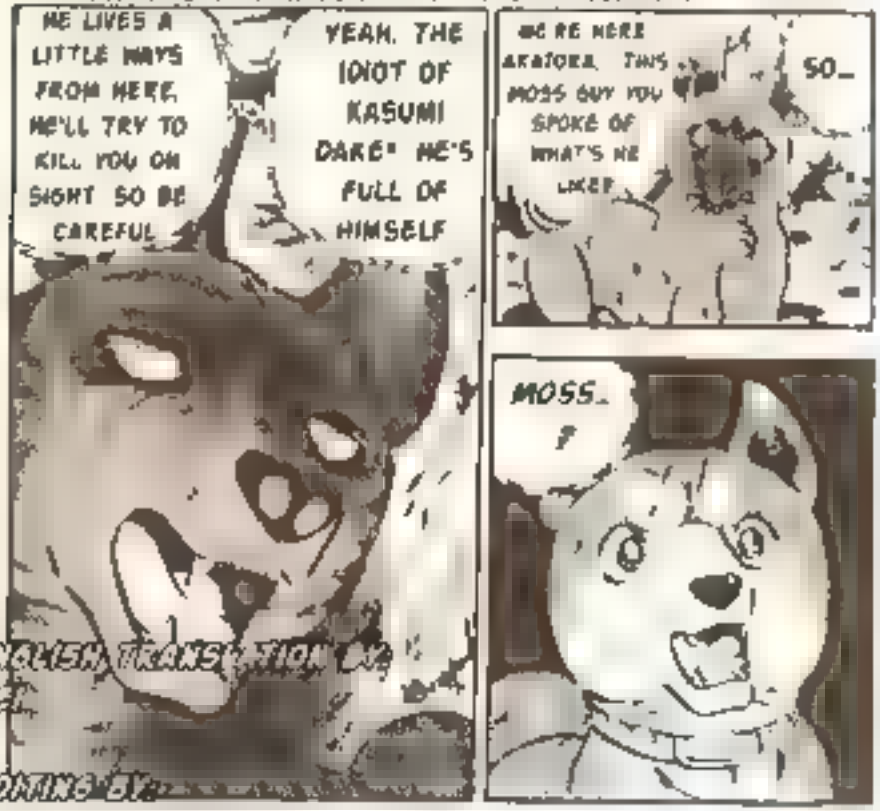
*TRANSLATOR'S NOTE, TIN = A "TIN" IS A PINE MARTEN, BUT IS ALSO THE NAME OF THIS CHARACTER)

I DON'T INTEND TO ASK FOR ANYTHING IN RETURN.
IT'S FINE. IT WAS LONG AGO...
SORRY FOR EVERY-THING, BEN.
BUT NATU-RALLY, BEN... OUR LIVES BELONG TO YOU.
WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING OF VALUE. WE'RE JUST WILD DOGS...
AKATORA
I'D GLADLY THROW MY LIFE AWAY FOR YOU


BEN WOULD OCCASIONALLY COME AND CHECK ON US, AND LOOKED OUT FOR US.
KUROTORA LOST ONE OF HIS EYES.
WHINE
WHINE
WHINE
...THANKS TO BEN.
WE'RE ALIVE TODAY...

!?
STOP IT BEN! EVERY ONE'S WATCHING
YOUR PRETTY FUR IS ALL SPOILED CROSS
A STRONG MALE CAN ALWAYS TAKE CARE OF HIS LADY!
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT

*TRANSLATOR'S NOTE: KASUMI DAKE = MISTY MOUNTAIN)


HE LIVES A LITTLE WAYS FROM HERE. HE'LL TRY TO KILL YOU ON SIGHT SO BE CAREFUL
YEAH. THE IDIOT OF KASUMI DAKE* HE'S FULL OF HIMSELF
WE'RE HERE AKATORA. THIS MOSS GUY YOU SPOKE OF WHAT'S HE LIKE?
SO...
MOSS..?

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BUT THE WORLD IS HUGE THEY MUST CONTINUE ON THEIR DIFFICULT JOURNEY TO GATHER MORE SOLDIERS TO BRING DOWN AKAKABUTO.
NEW SOLDIERS HAD JOINED BEN'S ARMY.

GINGA NAGAREBOSHI GIN
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THAT MOUNTAIN AT THE FRONT IS WHERE MOSS LIVES. KASUMI DAKE.

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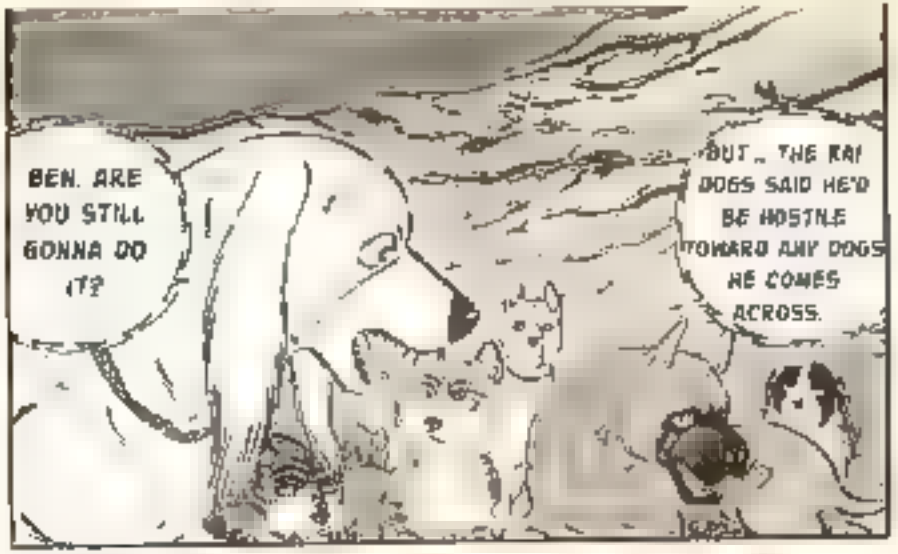
IT'LL BE A WHILE BEFORE WE CAN GO.

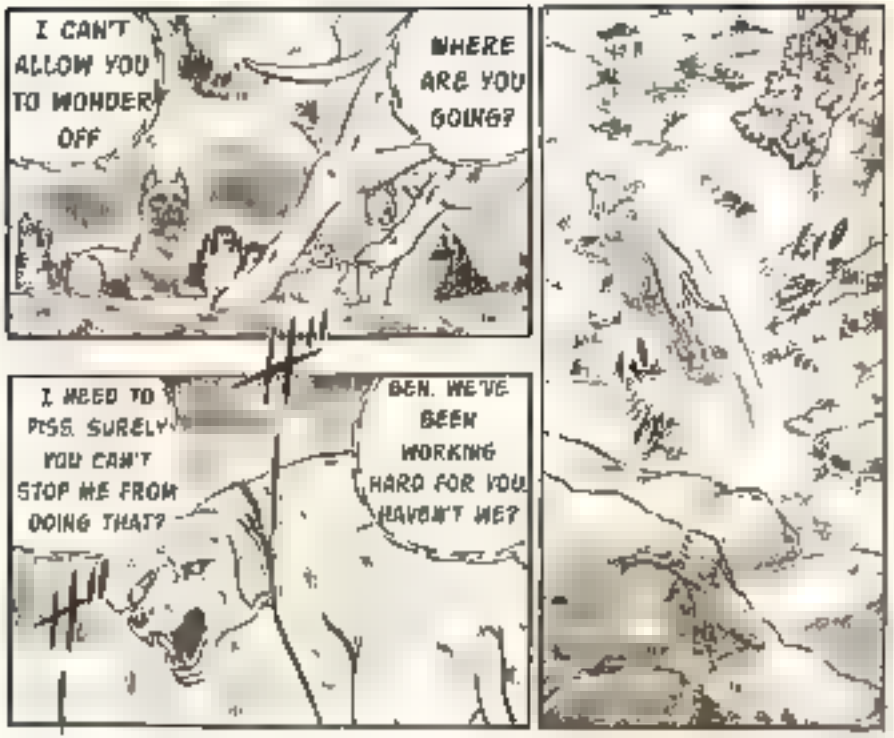
TYPICAL, FOR IT TO BE THIS BAD...

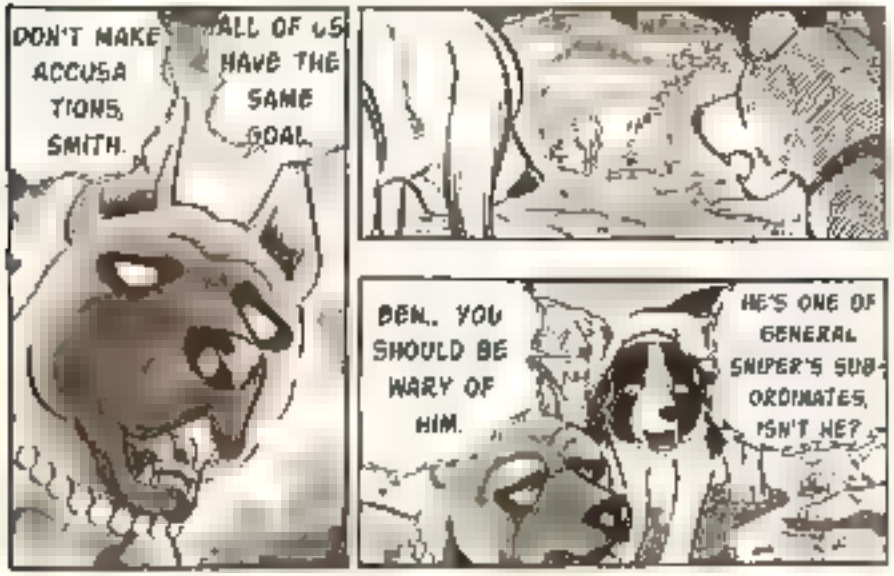
WE CAN REST UNTIL THE SKY CLEARS.

HAHA...


BEN. ARE YOU STILL GONNA DO IT?
BUT.. THE RAT DOGS SAID HE'D BE HOSTILE TOWARD ANY DOGS HE COMES ACROSS.

I WANT TO MEET HIM. HE SOUNDS WORTHY TO ME.
YES.


I CAN'T ALLOW YOU TO WONDER OFF
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
I NEED TO PISS. SURELY YOU CAN'T STOP ME FROM DOING THAT?
BEN. WE'VE BEEN WORKING HARD FOR YOU, HAVEN'T WE?


DON'T MAKE ACCUSATIONS, SMITH.
ALL OF US HAVE THE SAME GOAL.
BEN.. YOU SHOULD BE WARY OF HIM.
HE'S ONE OF GENERAL SNIPER'S SUB-ORDINATES, ISN'T HE?

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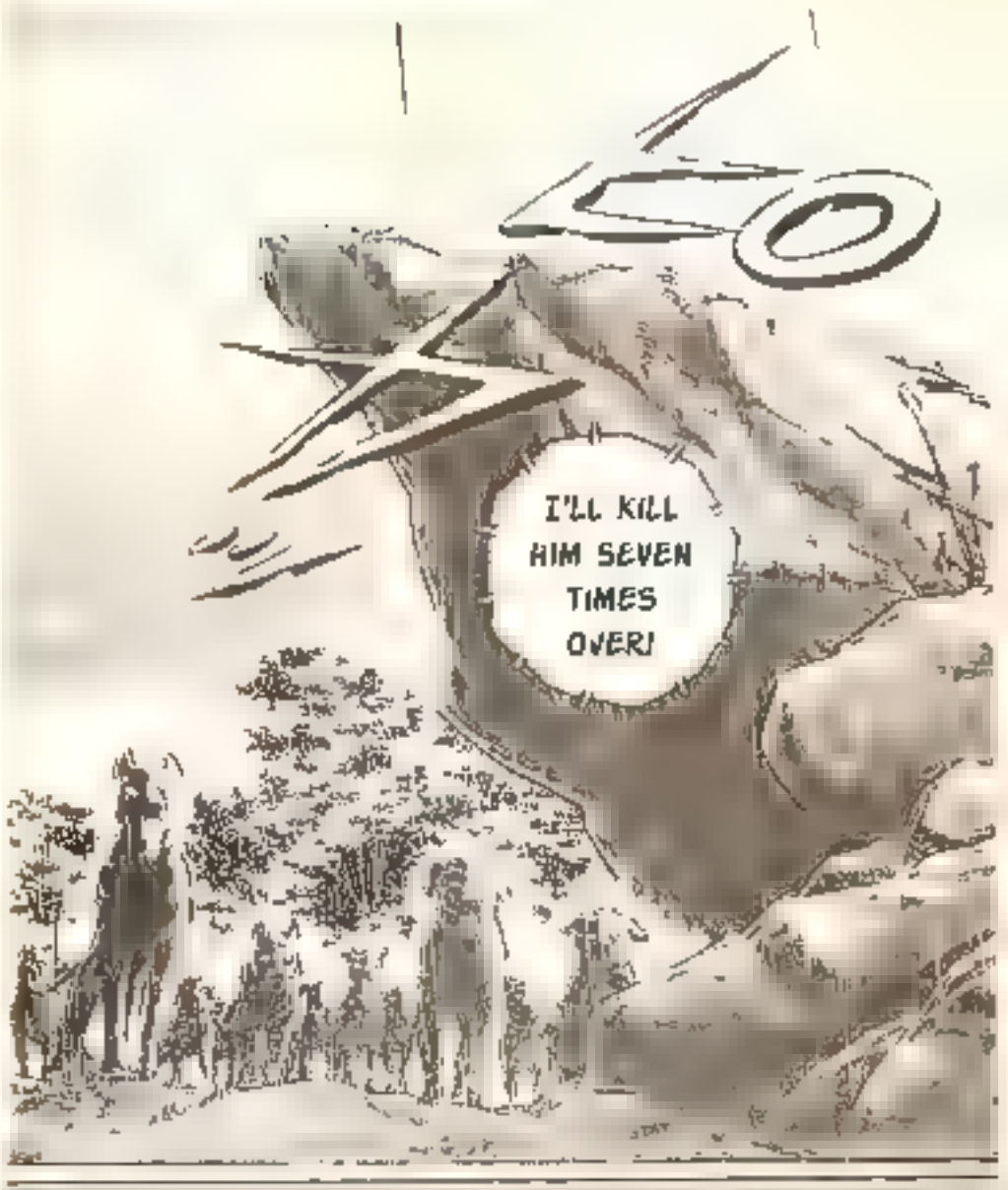

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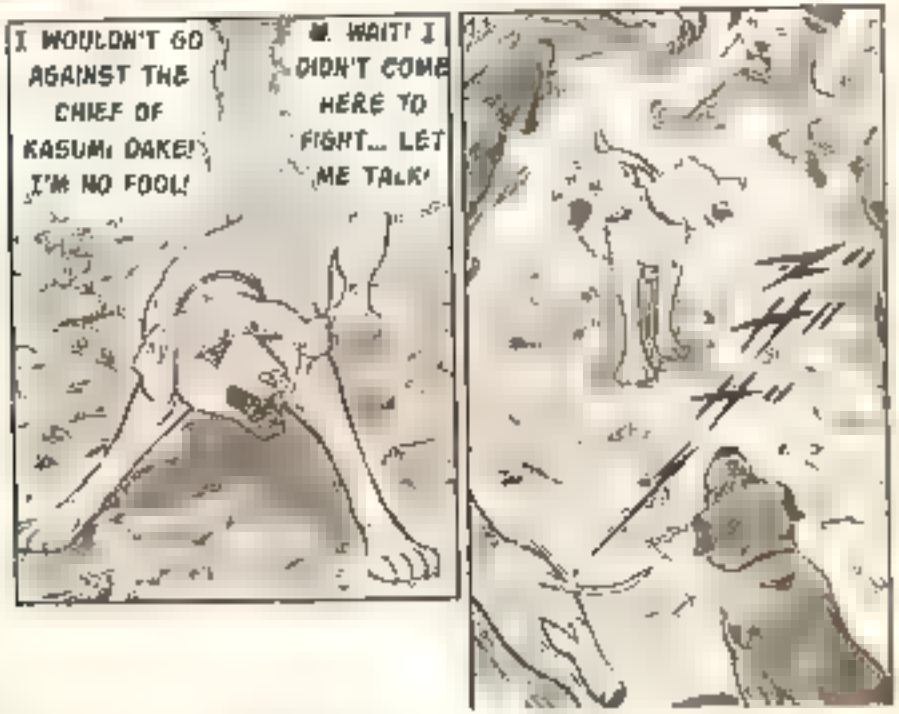
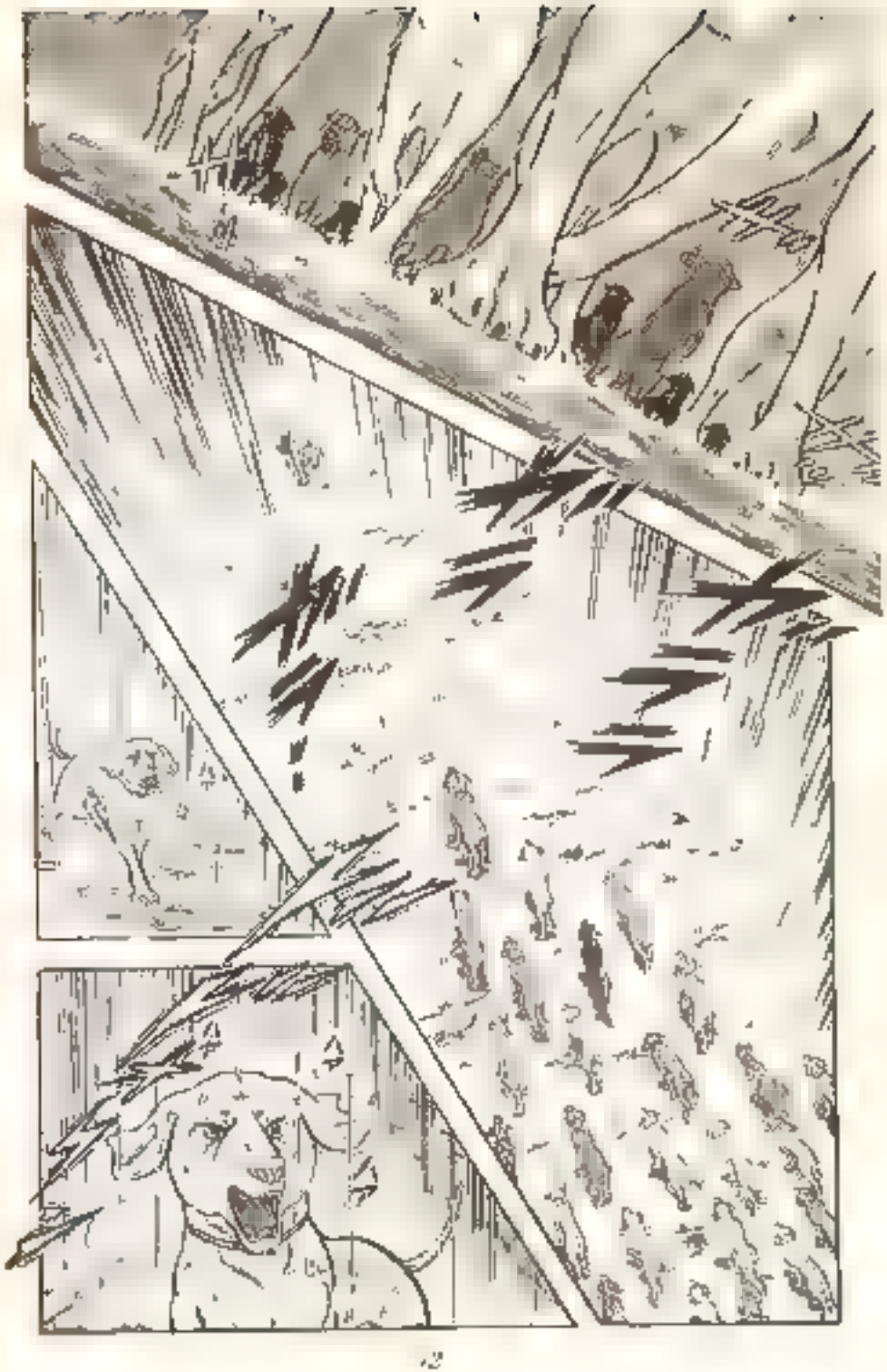
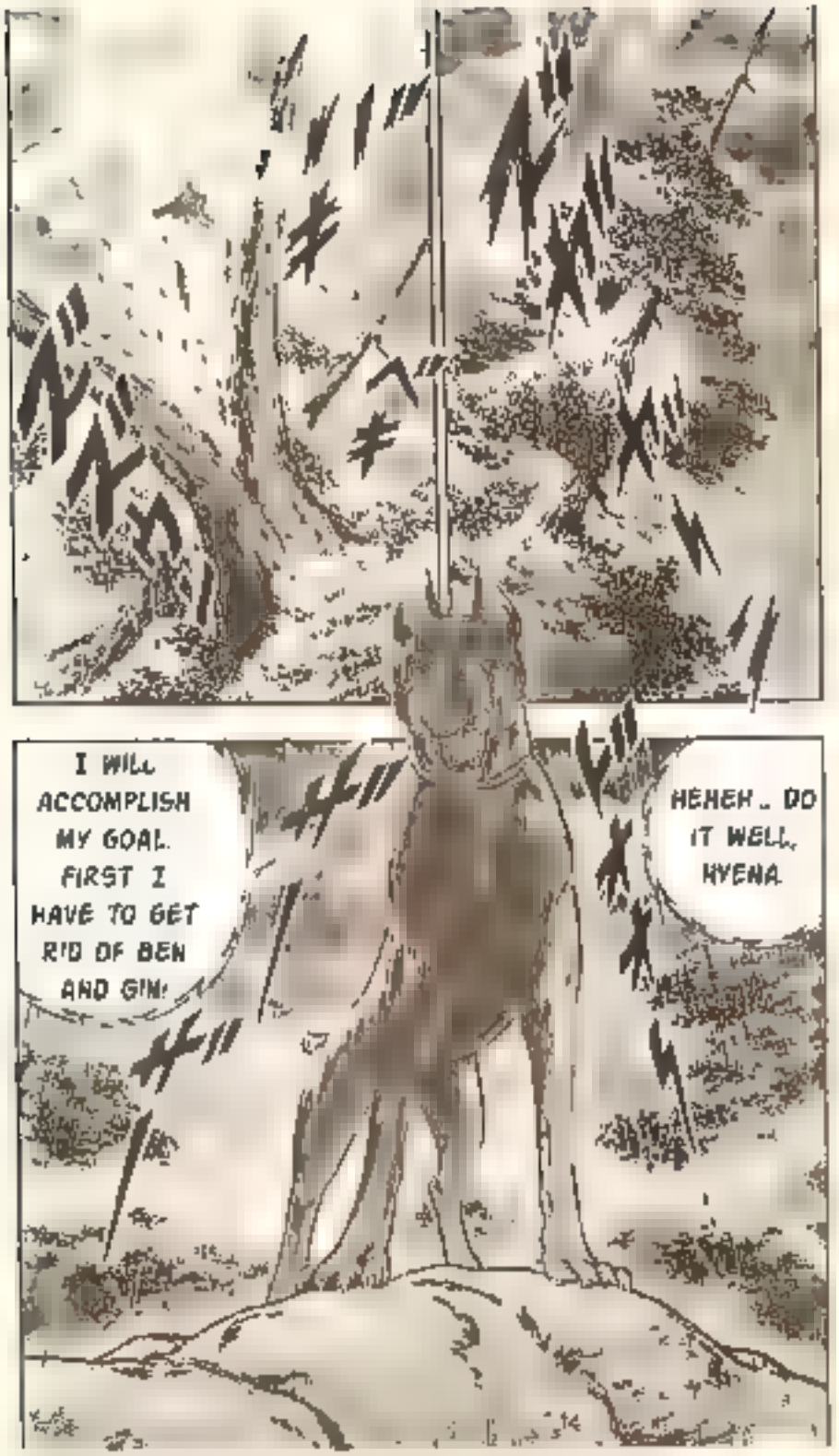
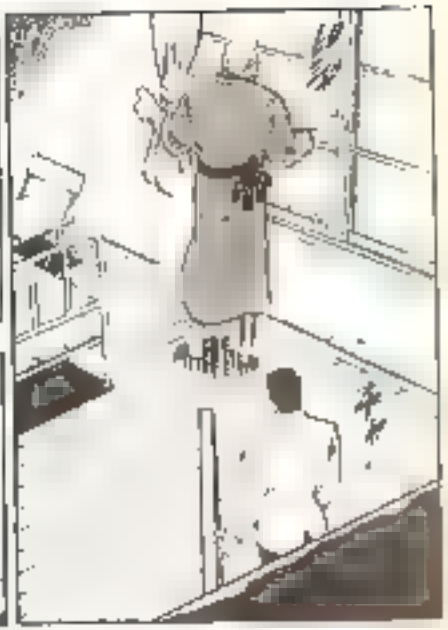
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
WERE YOU THE ONE CALLING FOR ME?

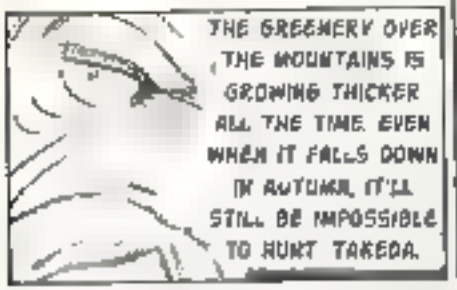

I WOULDN'T GO AGAINST THE CHIEF OF KASUMI OAKE! I'M NO FOOL!
WAIT! I DIDN'T COME HERE TO FIGHT... LET ME TALK!

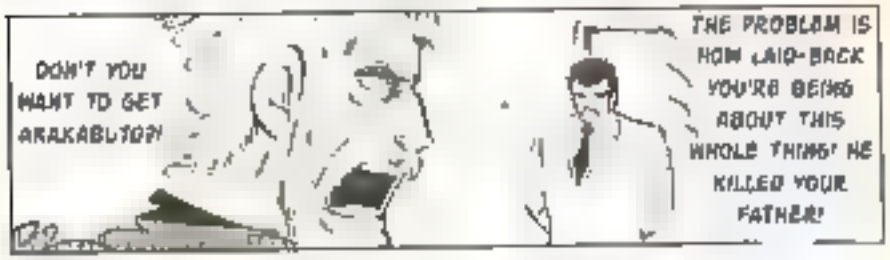


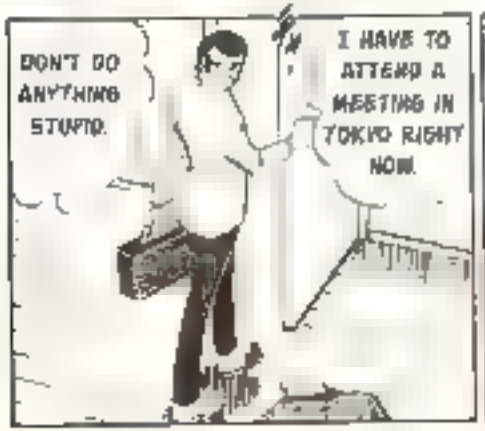

I WILL ACCOMPLISH MY GOAL. FIRST I HAVE TO GET RID OF BEN AND GIN!
HEHEH.. DO IT WELL, HYENA

YOU STILL THINK YOU COULD HAVE PREVENTED THIS, DON'T YOU?
YOU'RE AWAKE ALREADY?

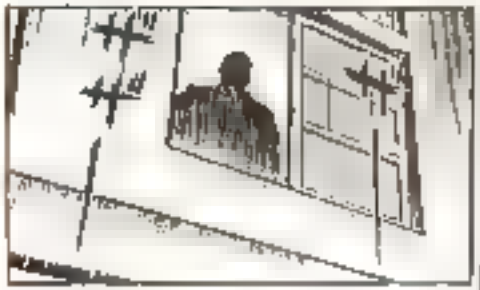


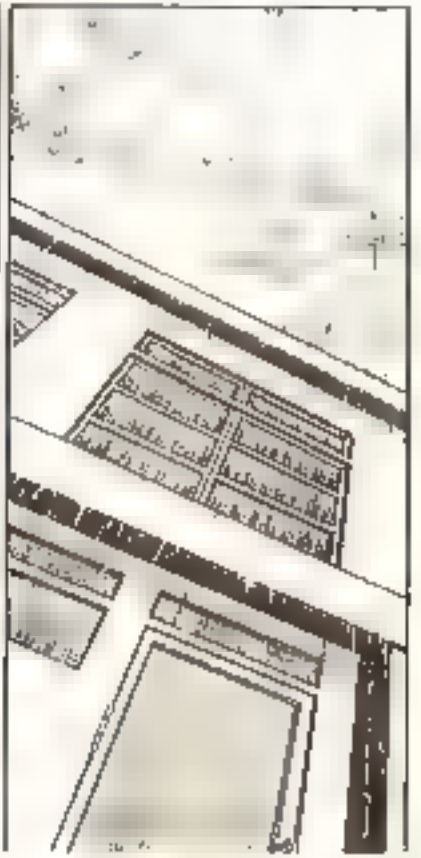

THE GREENERY OVER THE MOUNTAINS IS GROWING THICKER ALL THE TIME. EVEN WHEN IT FALLS DOWN IN AUTUMN, IT'LL STILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO HUNT TAKEDA.


DON'T YOU WANT TO GET ARAKABUTO?!
THE PROBLEM IS HOW LAID-BACK YOU'RE BEING ABOUT THIS WHOLE THING! HE KILLED YOUR FATHER!


DON'T DO ANYTHING STUPID.
I HAVE TO ATTEND A MEETING IN TOKYO RIGHT NOW.

IT'S DANGEROUS TO HUNT IN THE SUMMER.
I DO. BUT...





YOU FOOL...! DO IT!
YOU BASTARD! YOU'RE STILL JUST A BRAT!
HEH...
I WON'T BE CAREFUL.
I TRUST THINGS HERE TO YOU, MAKINO-KUN. DON'T TAKE YOUR EYES OFF TAKEDA.
WHAT DO YOU PLAN ON DOING NOW?
WELL, HIDETO SHI...

FOR GIN?
YOU'RE STILL LOOKING ?

DAMMIT
_!
DO YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO GIN?
JOHN. YOU DON'T KNOW. DO YOU?
WHILE I'M GONE PLEASE LOOK AFTER JOHN FOR ME.
DAISUKE I KNOW IT'S HARD.
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HE WOULD PROBABLY HAVE JOINED THE WILD DOGS.
IF GIN WERE STILL ALIVE.

I CAN'T FIND HIM ANYWHERE
HE'S NOWHERE.
YES_
GIN'S NOT ONE TO GET HIMSELF KILLED!
DON'T GO BLABBERING THAT GIN IS DEAD, DOCTOR!
GIN IS PROBABLY DEAD BY NOW.
I UNDERSTAND HOW YOU FEEL BUT I THINK YOU SHOULD GIVE UP.

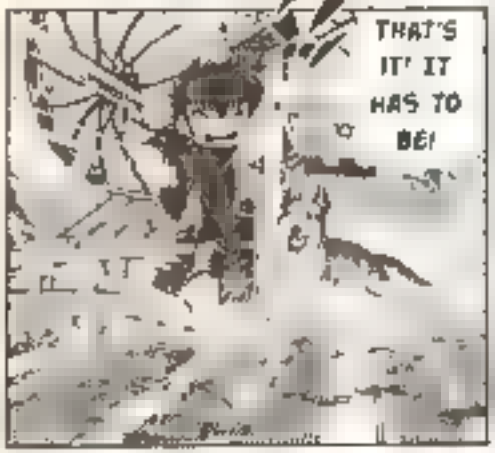
IS HE NEVER GOING TO GIVE UP?
WHAT A MESS. HIS MASTER HAS BEEN SEARCHING FOR HIM FOR MORE THAN A MONTH.

PLEASE TAKE CARE OF DAISUKE FOR ME!
JOHN, WHILE I'M AWAY...

ON FOOT TOO.
DAMMIT. HE'S GONE

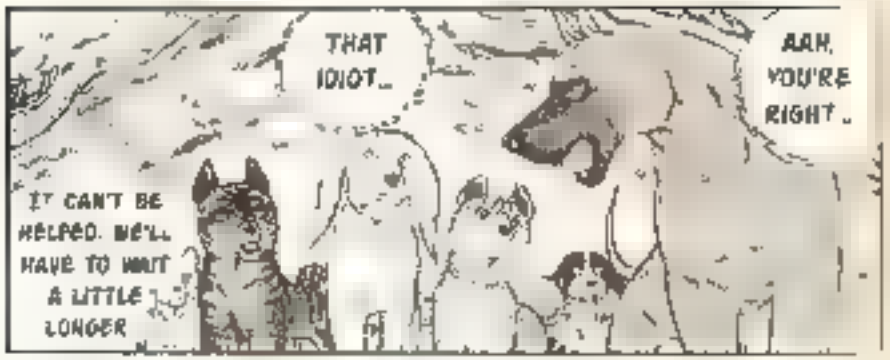
I WONDER WHAT HE'S DOING NOW.

WAIT A MOMENT


THAT'S IT! IT HAS TO BE!

YES.
BEN AND THE THREE BROTHERS OF KAI ARE PLANNING TO AMBUSH US. ?!
WHAT? IS THAT TRUE?

WAIT FOR ME!
GO
DID THAT BRAT GO INTO THE MOUNTAINS?

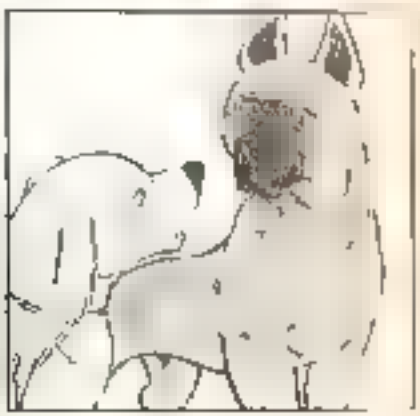

THAT IDIOT..
AAH, YOU'RE RIGHT..
IT CAN'T BE HELPED. WE'LL HAVE TO WAIT A LITTLE LONGER

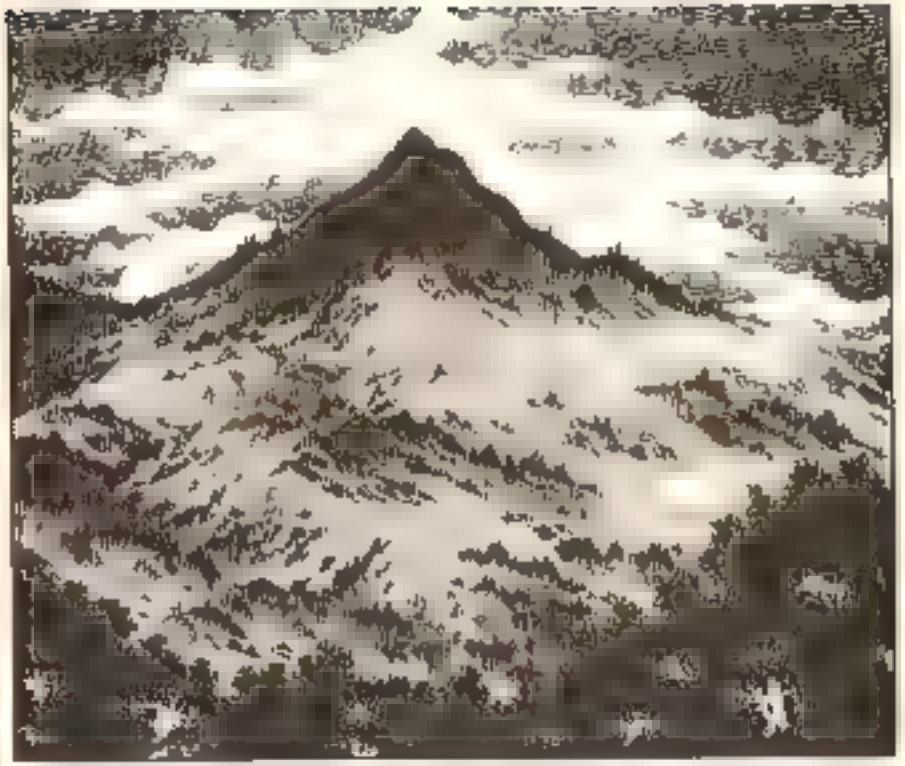
ALL YOU'RE DOING IS THINKING OF YOUR GODDAMN SELF!
ISN'T LOOKING AFTER SUB-ORDINATES YOUR DUTY, SMITH?

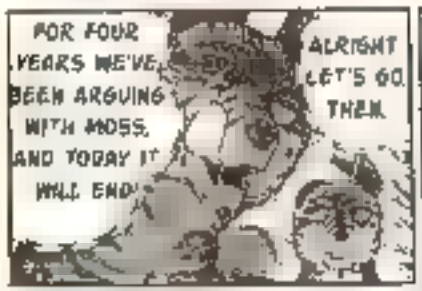
THAT BASTARD.. WE SHOULDN'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT HIM!
HE MUST BE TAKING ONE DAMN BIG SHIT.

NO WONDER BEN LOVES YOU, CROSS.
JEEZ SUCH DIRTY WORDS FOR A WOMAN!

AAH! I'LL GO LOOK FOR HYENA A BIT!
YOU... STOP TALKING SHIT!






FOR FOUR YEARS WE'VE BEEN ARGUING WITH MOSS, AND TODAY IT WILL END!
ALRIGHT LET'S GO, THEN.

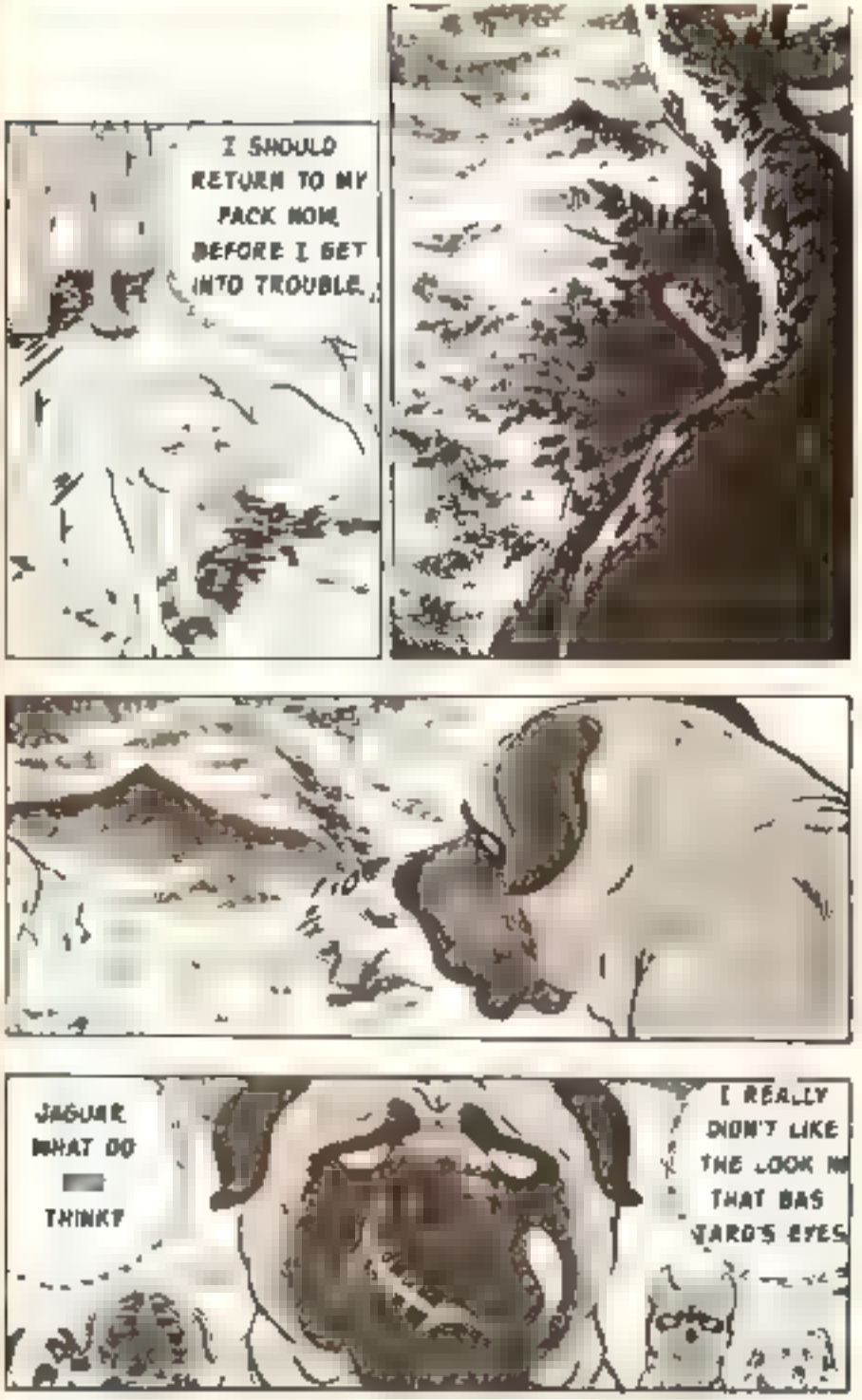
HYENA HASN'T COME BACK YET!
WAIT BEN!

IT'S ABOUT TIME WE SET OFF
AT LAST IT'S ONLY DRIZZLING.

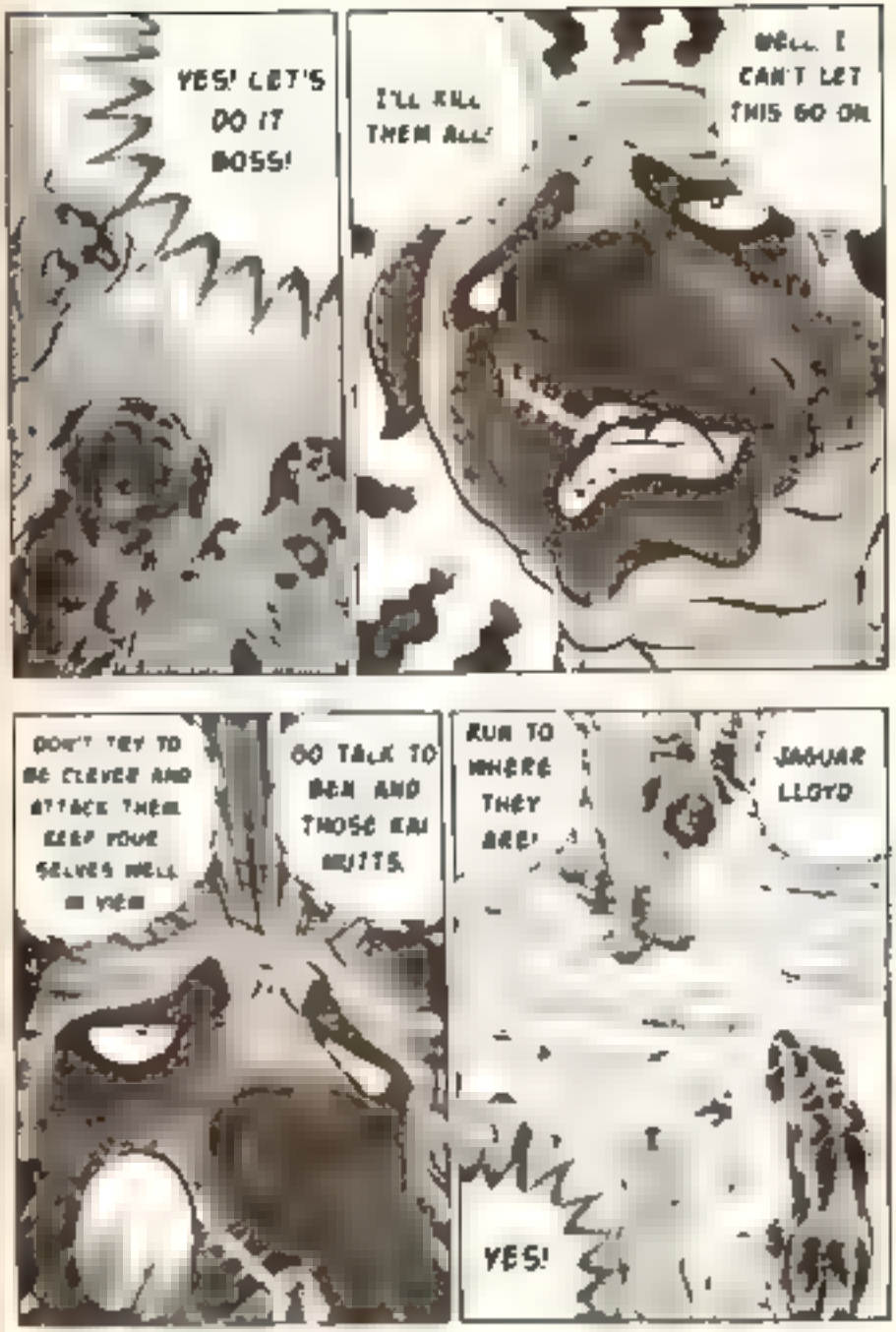
ALRIGHT, FOLLOW ME!

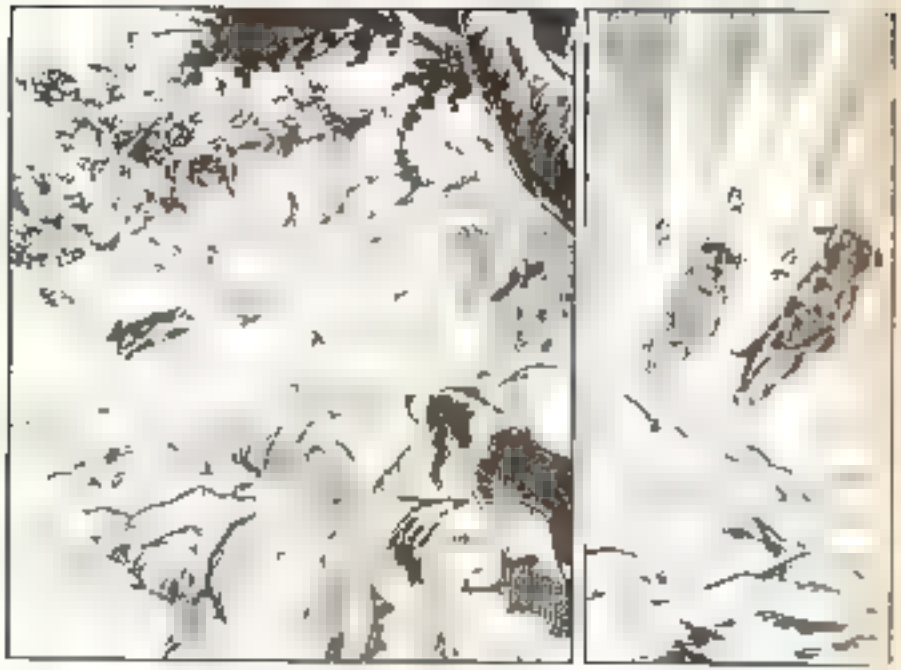
WAIT, SMITH! I'LL COME TOO!

NO OR THE OTHER HAND THEY COULD HAVE PLANNED TO DO IT TO GET WHAT THEY WANT
THAT'S RIGHT I THOUGHT THE THREE KAI BROTHERS WERE TOO STUCK UP FOR COMPANY
EVEN IF WE WENT INTO THEIR TERR. TORY BEFORE THEY NOT THE TYPE TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS
THOSE THREE KAI KIDS... EVEN IF THEY HAVE COMRADES, WHY WOULD THEY WAIT UNTIL NOW TO DO IT?
THOSE THREE KIDS AND THE PACK THAT THAT BEN GUY LEADS. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THEIR INTENTIONS REALLY ARE
BUT WE DON'T KNOW, BOSS.
IT'S POS- SIBLE.
JAGUAR. DO YOU SUSPECT THE SAME?


I SHOULD RETURN TO MY PACK NOW, BEFORE I GET INTO TROUBLE.
JAGUAR WHAT DO [redacted] THINK?
I REALLY DIDN'T LIKE THE LOOK IN THAT BAS TARD'S EYES

AS A FIGHTER, I'LL BE AT THE DIRECT FRONT
BOSS OF RAISHIN DOJO WON'T GOING TO HIDE FROM THIS!
YES!
DON'T MISS YOUR LIVES. COME BACK AS SOON AS YOU'VE FOUND OUT WHAT WE NEED TO KNOW.
AT SUNSET WE'LL BE MEETING ON THE SIX-TREE RIDGE.
AFTER THIS, YOU'LL ALL BE SORRY THAT YOU EVER THOUGHT OF DEFEATING ME
BAD LUCK, KAIS...

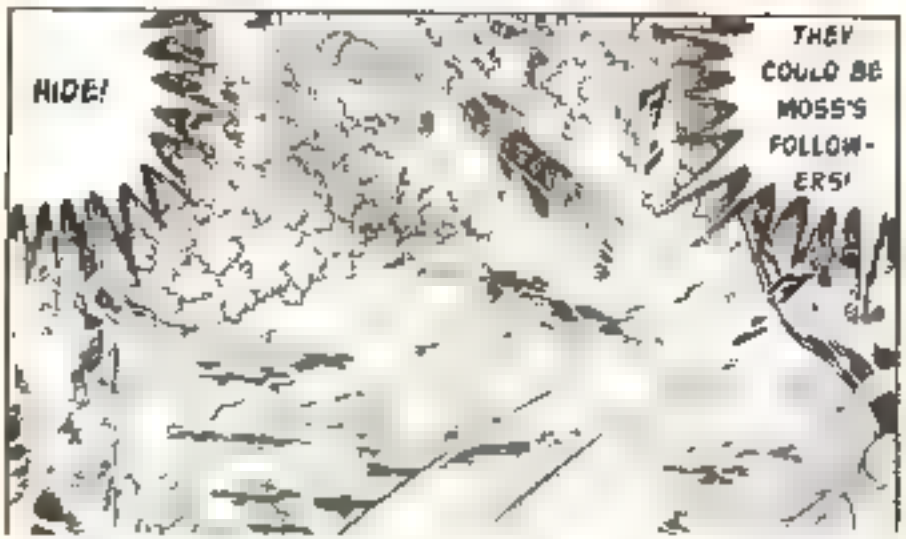

YES! LET'S DO IT BOSS!
I'LL KILL THEM ALL!
WELL, I CAN'T LET THIS GO ON.
DON'T TRY TO BE CLEVER AND ATTACK THEM. KEEP YOUR SELVES WELL IN VIEW.
GO TALK TO BEN AND THOSE KAI MUTTS.
RUN TO WHERE THEY ARE!
JAGUAR LLOYD
YES!



THEY WERE MOSS'S FOLLOWERS.. I WONDER WHERE THEY'RE GOING.
THAT'S NOT HYENA.

SMITH. SOMEONE'S COMING!
WE'VE ALREADY ENTERED MOSS'S TERRITORY!
THAT DAMN FOOL... HOW FAR OUT DID HE GO?!

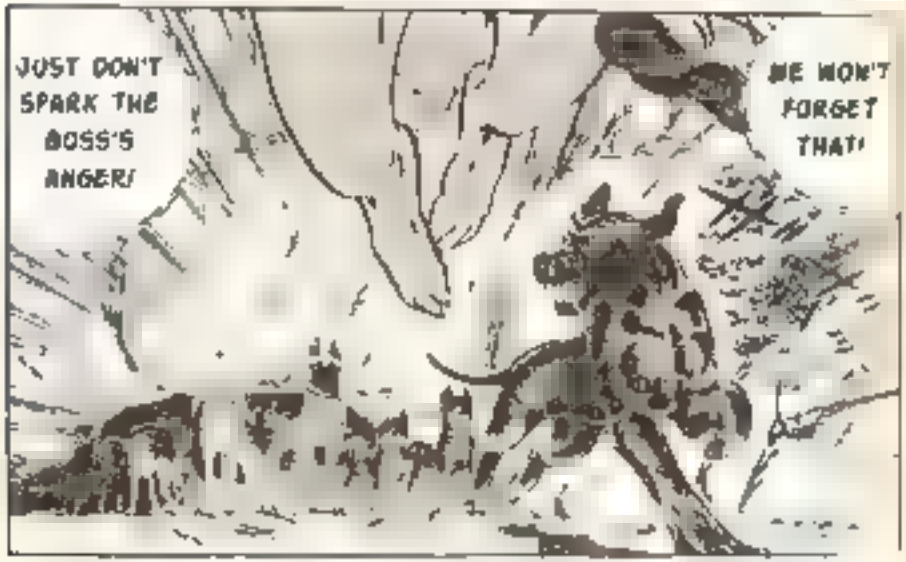
IT'S NOT JUST ONE I CAN HEAR TWO OR THREE DIFFERENT FOOTSTEPS!
NO!
COULD IT BE HYENA, SIR?

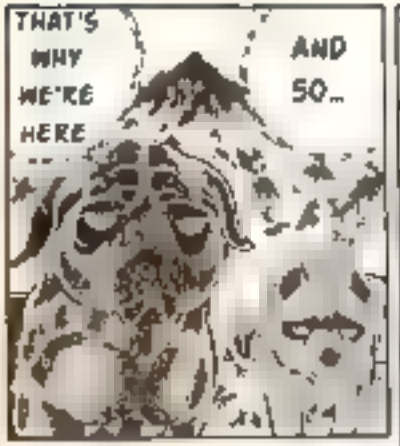

HIDE!
THEY COULD BE MOSS'S FOLLOWERS!

HE DOESN'T HIDE WHAT HE THINKS.
BEN'S A GUY WHO SPEAKS THE REAL TRUTH.

WE'LL SERVE BEN UNTIL WE'VE GIVEN ALL WE'VE GOT
HEHE THAT'S RIGHT JUST LIKE YOU SAID

YOU THREE ARE FOLLOWING HIM_?!


JUST DON'T SPARK THE BOSS'S ANGER!
WE WON'T FORGET THAT!


THAT'S WHY WE'RE HERE
AND SO...

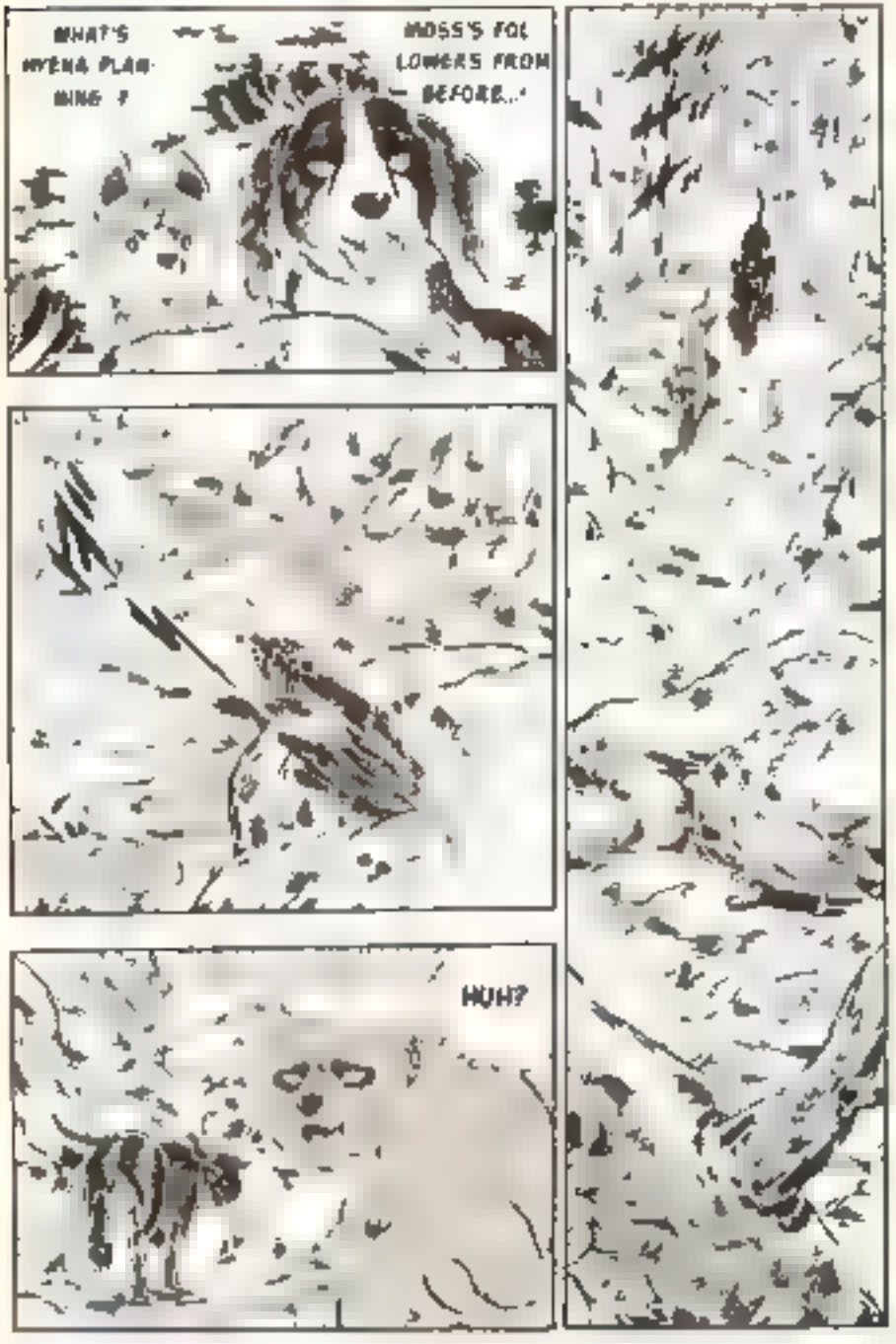
THIS AMBUSH YOU'RE SPEAKING OF...
I UNDERSTAND. BUT LET ME SAY ONE THING.

I KNOW HIS PHYSICAL STRENGTH.
SAY THIS TO MOSS. I'M NOT GOING TO TAKE HIM LIGHTLY.

WAIT SMITH!
THAT BASTARD
AAH! IT'S HYENA!
WHY IS HE SNEAKING AROUND BEHIND THAT ROCK ?
WHAT'S HE DOING?!
YES!
AH. GIN... THERE!

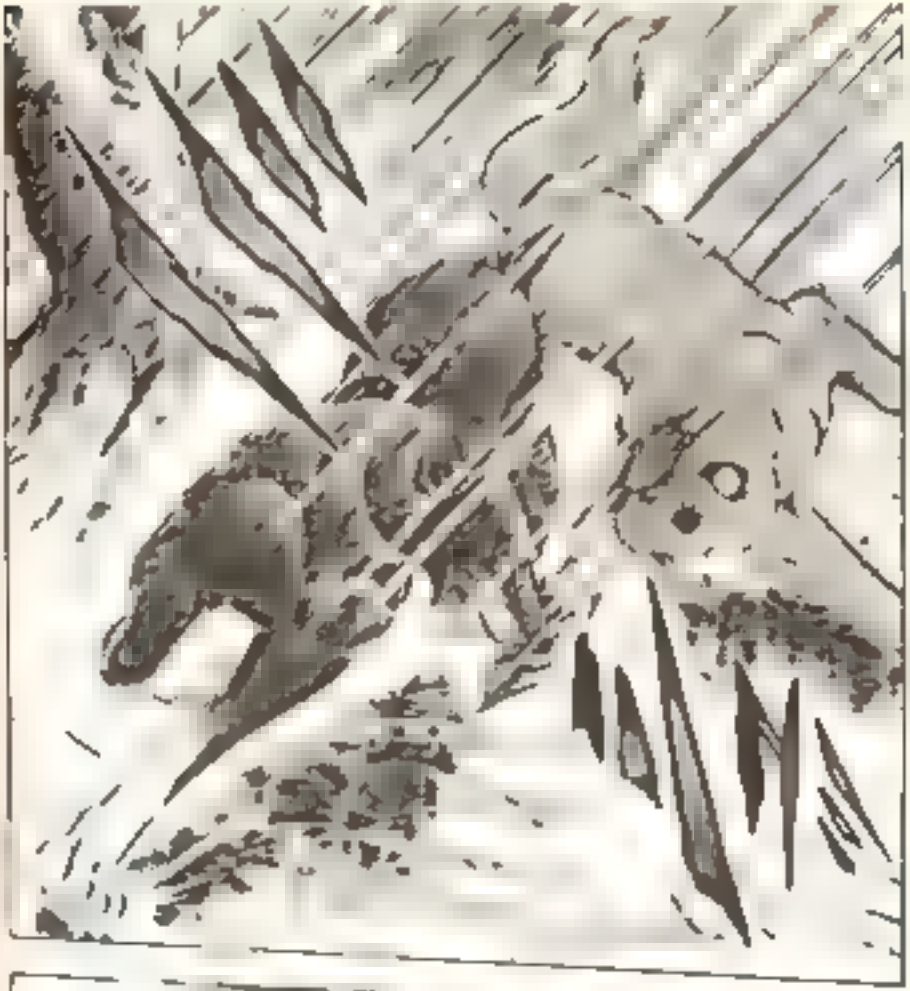
AH, SMITH! DANGER!
AND, WE'RE AT DANGER BY BEING IN THIS TERRI-TORY!
HEY, GIN! LET'S GO BACK! I CAN'T SMELL THOSE GUYS ANYMORE.
I DIDN'T KNOW TORA-GE DOGS HAD EARS LIKE THAT!
GIN. YOU'RE A RESPONSI-BLE ONE. ALWAYS TRYING TO HELP!
SHH!
WHAT? IS SOMEONE COMING AGAIN?

YOU'RE WHO'LL BE KILLED.
HEH.. GONNA KILL ME?
GO BACK TO YOUR PACK! WE WON'T ALLOW YOU TO STICK AROUND HERE.
WHAT THE YOU'RE STILL FOL LOWING US?
WHAT?!
HE WANTED TO TAKE CARE OF THIS BY TALKING!
BEN DOESN'T WANT TO FIGHT
AND NOW, HYENA HAS MADE A HUGE PROBLEM FOR US. BEN'S PLAN WILL FAIL!
FOOL! IS HE ON OUR SIDE?!


WHAT'S HYENA PLAN NING ?
MOSS'S FOL LOWERS FROM BEFORE..!
HUH?

WHAT THE HELL?!

GUH!
LORD SNIPER TAKE CARE OF THE OTHER ONE.
WHAT DO YOU WANT?!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!



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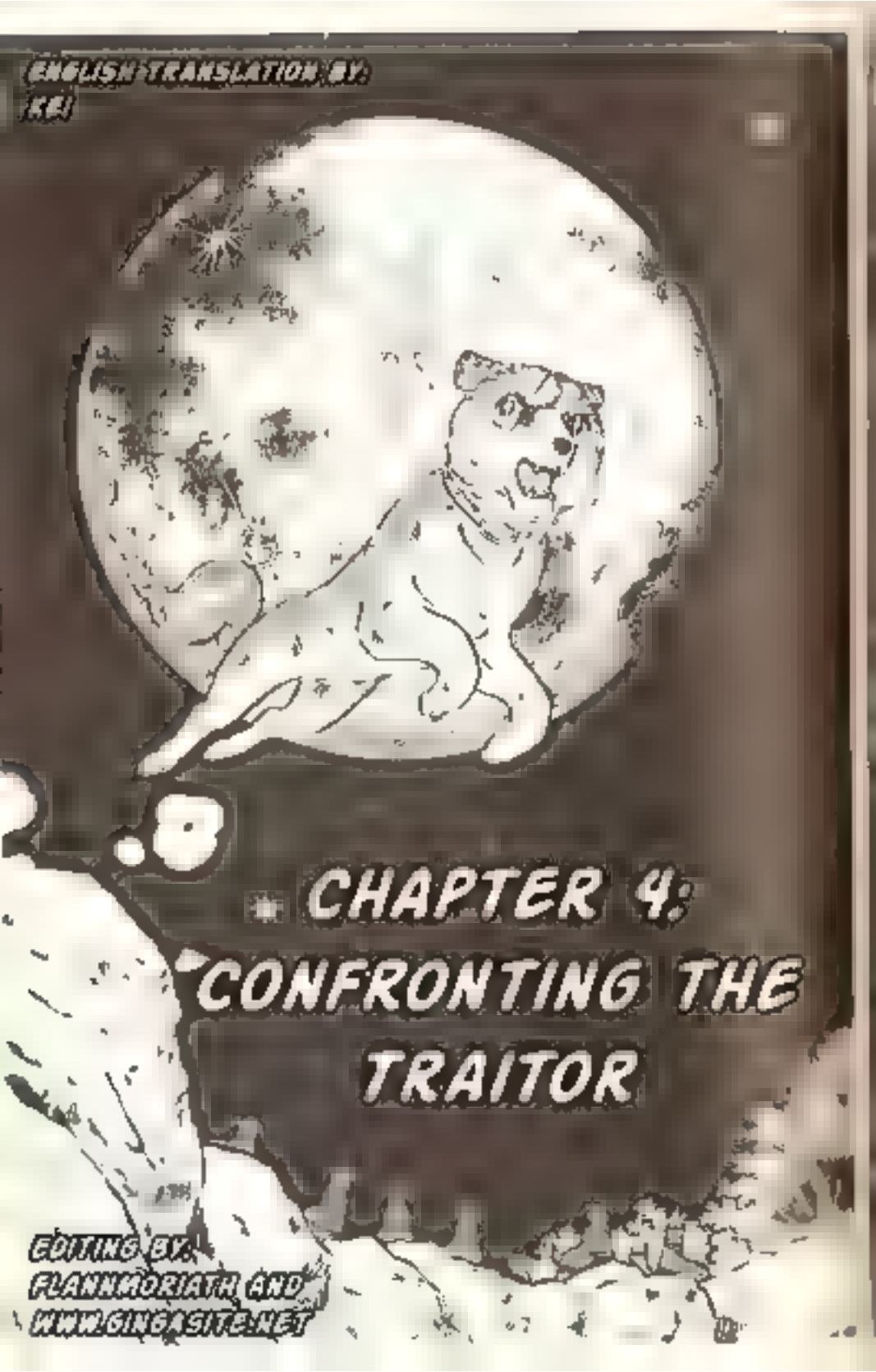
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LORD SNIPER, HURRY... HURRY UP AND KILL HIM!
I RANK ABOVE HIM BY FAR!
WHAT?! YOU'RE BEN'S OFFICER?
IT'LL TAKE MORE THAN THAT TO KILL ME! WE'LL MASSACRE ALL OF YOU!!
I'M JAGUAR SON OF MOSS OF KASUMI DAKE!
FOR MY PLAN TO SUCCEED YOU JUST HAVE TO DIE!
YOU'RE TOO MUCH OF A KID TO BE THREATENING ME!

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WHO ARE YOU? BEN'S FOLLOWERS?!
WHAT'RE YOU DOING BASTARD!
GUA AH!
NOW HILARIOUS. I RANK ABOVE HIM! GOT THAT?!
HAHA. AM I BEN'S FOLLOWER YOU ASK?
THE GENERAL WILL KILL HIM! WHAT SHOULD WE DO, SMITH?
YOU'RE ASKING ME?! WE CAN'T INTERFERE WITH WHAT THE GENERAL DOES!

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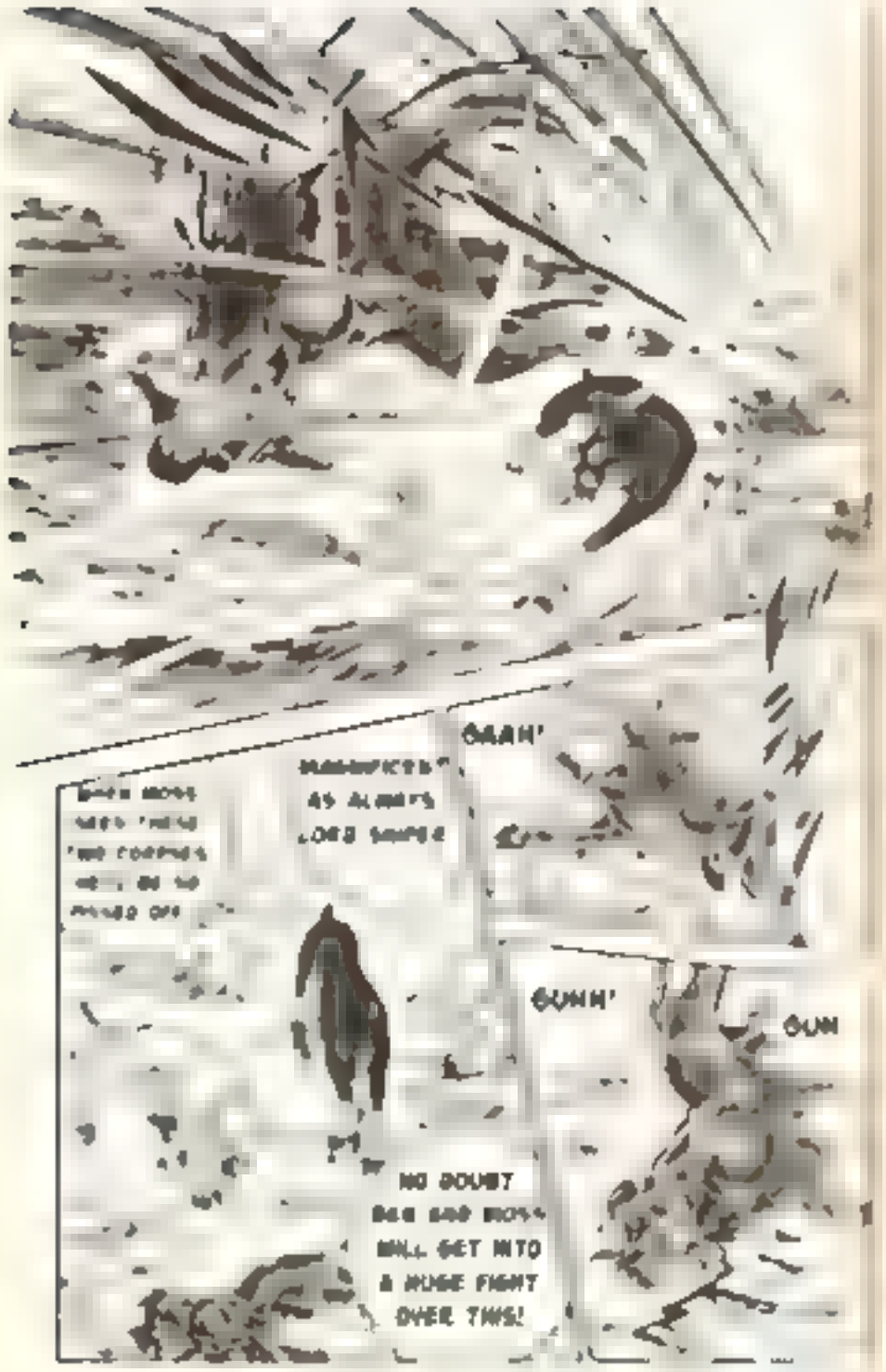

GRAH!
AS ALWAYS
LOSE SHAPE
GUNH!
GUN
NO DOUBT
BAS AND BOSS
WILL GET INTO
A HUGE FIGHT
OVER THIS!

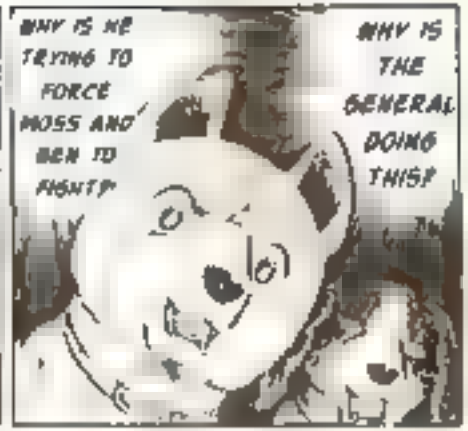
GO TO
HELL!

AH. WAIT A
OH!
DON'T BE
HASTY!
DON'T YOU
THINK IT'S
TOO
MUCH?!

RELEASE
ME, YOU
BASTARD
SHIT
RELEA
SE ME!

IF WE LET
YOU LIVE,
YOU'D ONLY
BOTHER
US!
HEHE

HEHE... IT'S
ALRIGHT!
NOBODY'S
AROUND!
STOP
BOASTING
LOUDLY
HYENA. BE
CAREFUL!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FIGHT?
WHY IS
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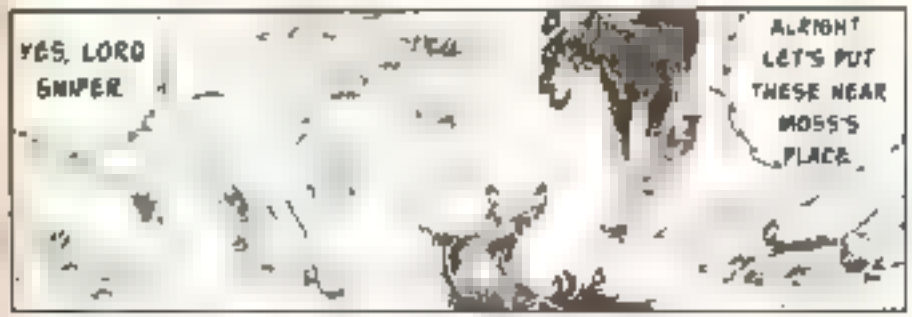
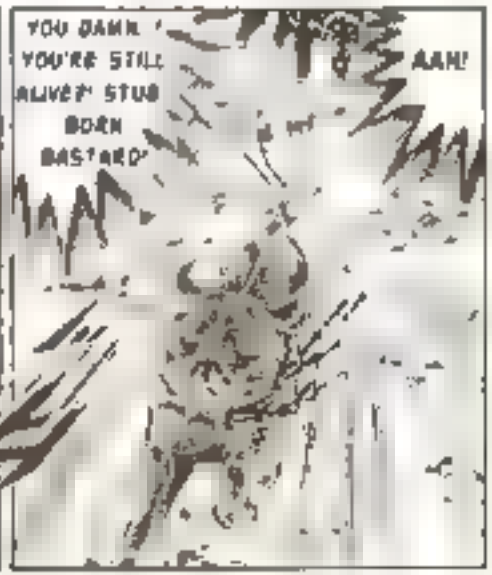
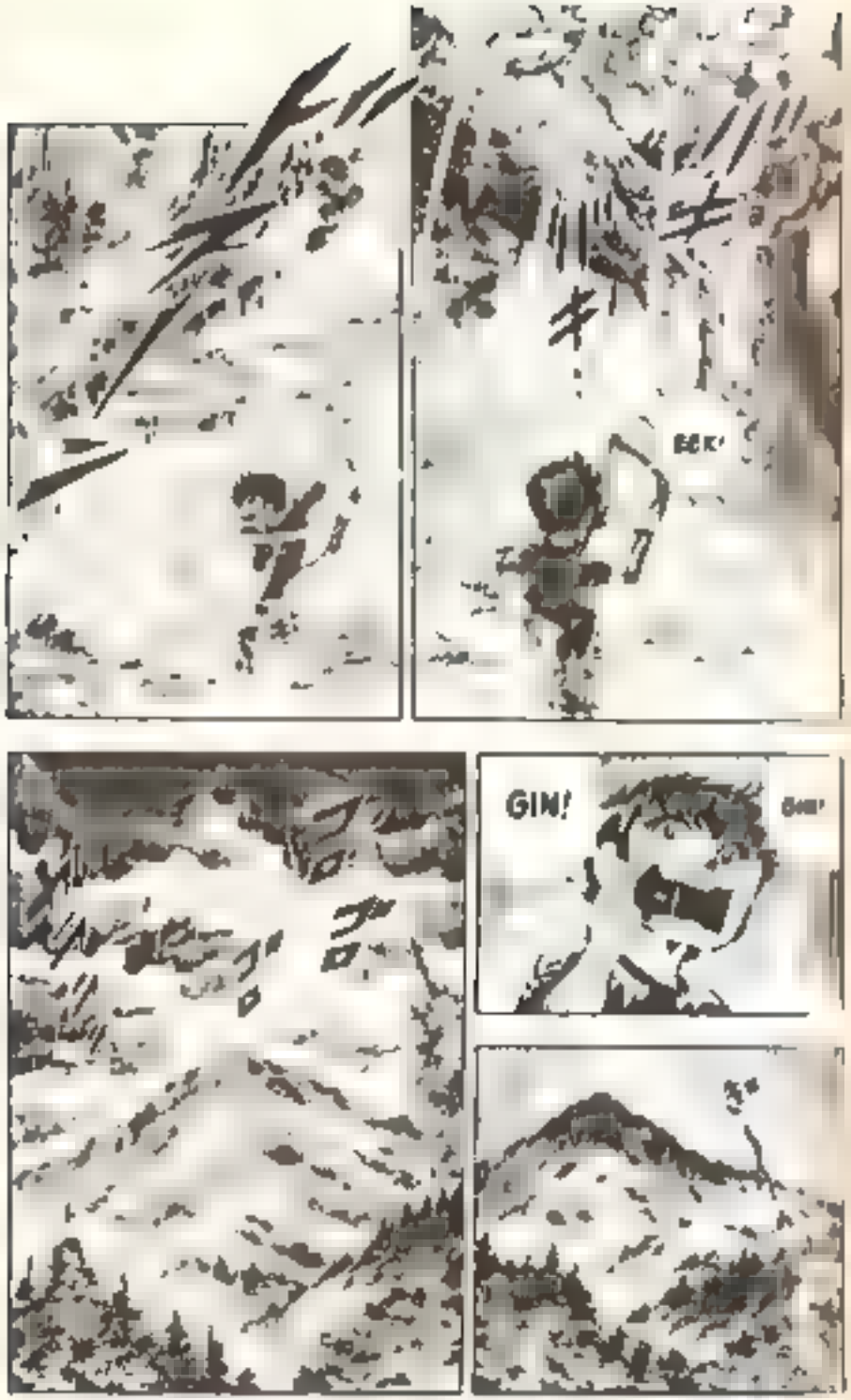
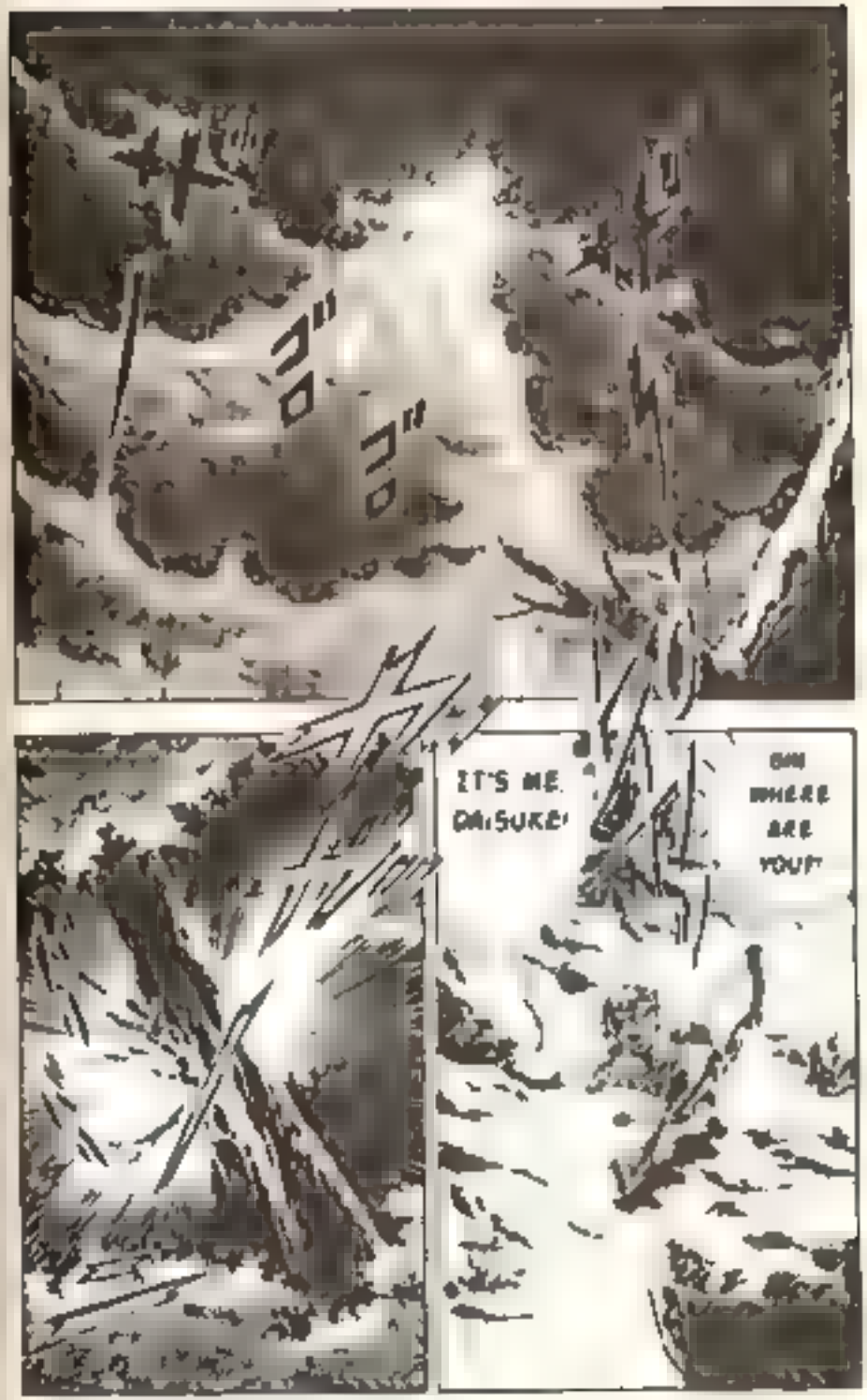
GENERAL
DOING
THIS?

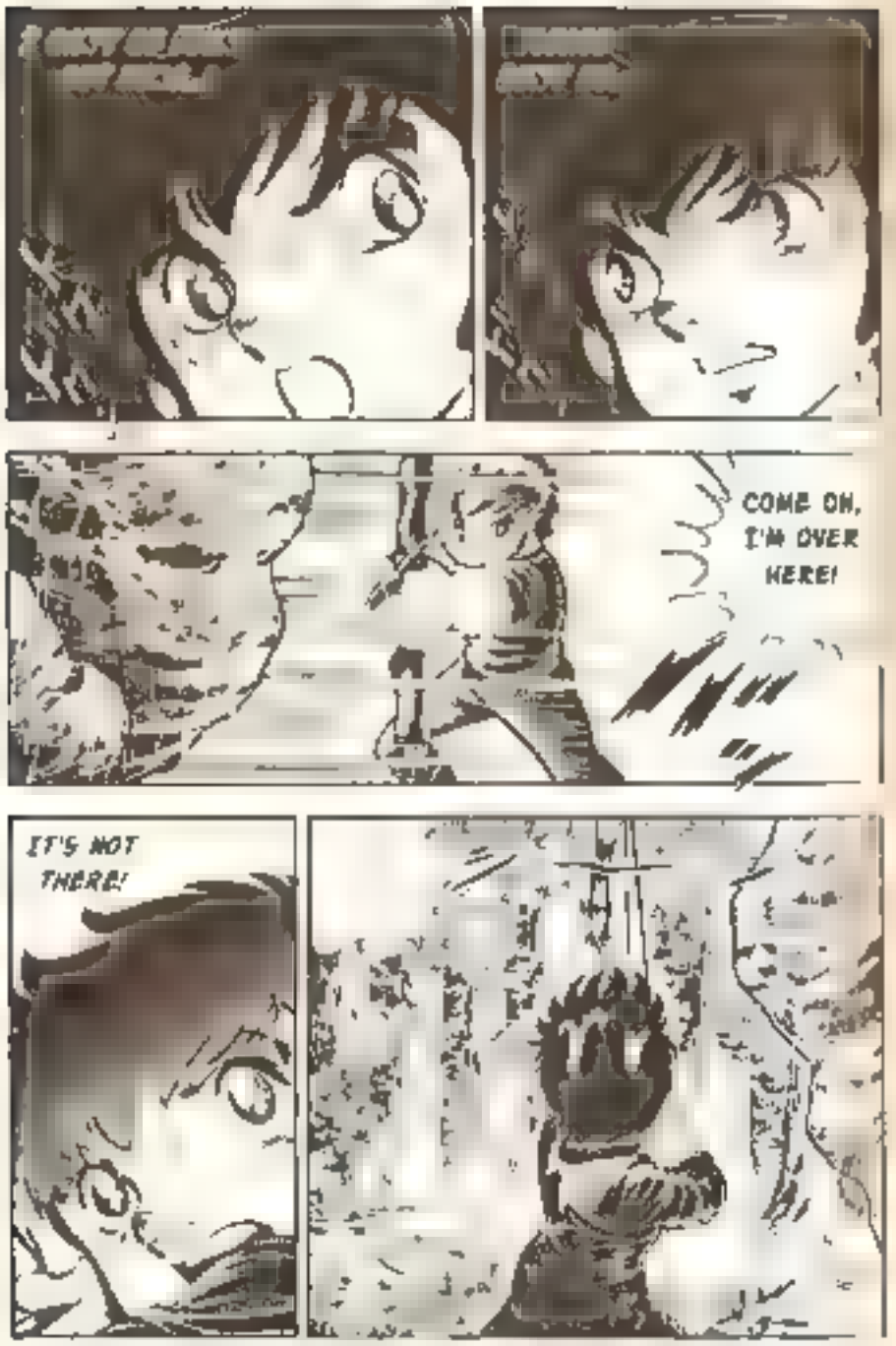

YES, LORD
SNIPER
ALRIGHT
LET'S PUT
THESE NEAR
MOSS'S
PLACE

DON'T LET
HIM GO,
HYENA!
KILL
HIM!

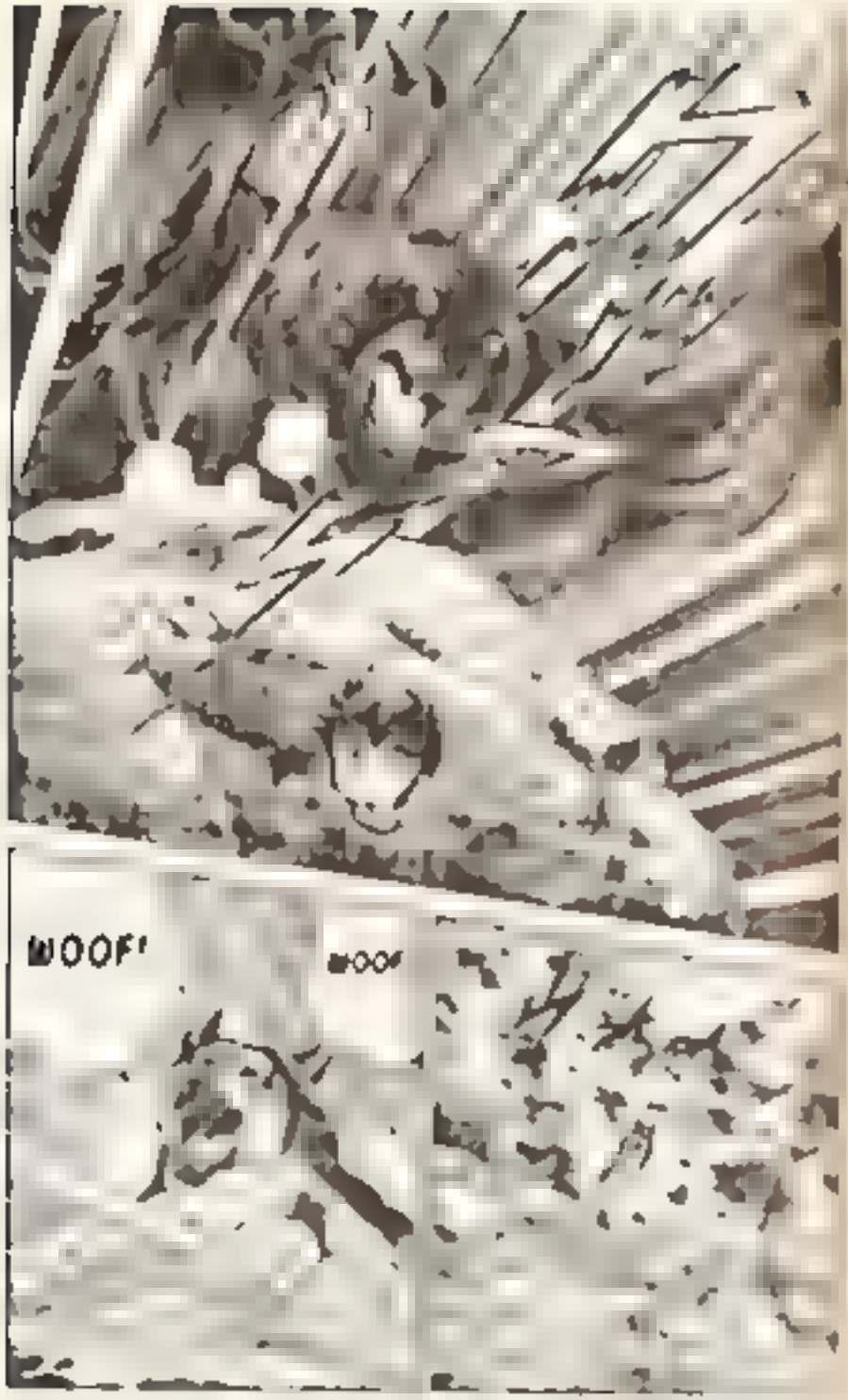

YOU DAMN
YOU'RE STILL
ALIVE?! STUB
BORN
BASTARD!
AAH!


GIN!

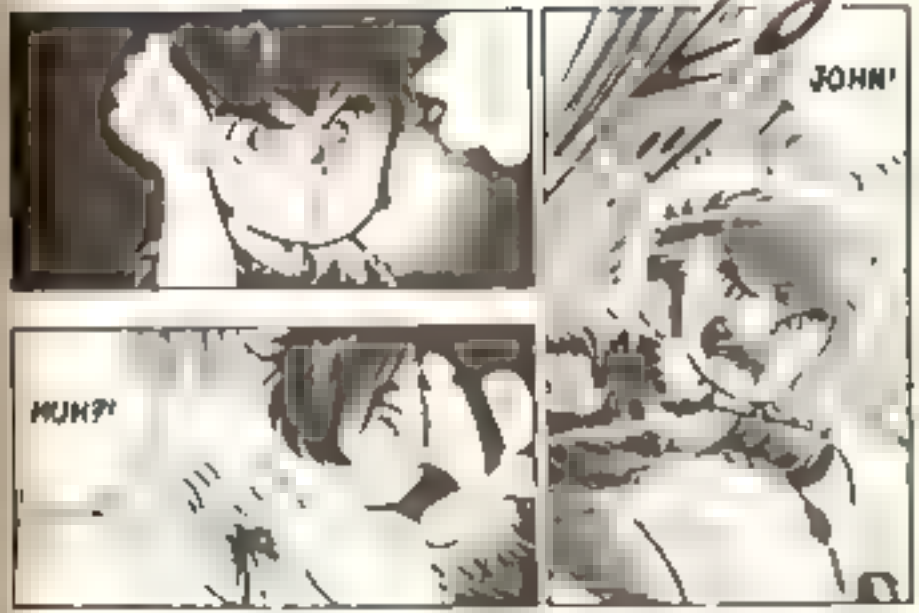

IT'S ME, DAISUKE!
GIN WHERE ARE YOU?


COME ON, I'M OVER HERE!
IT'S NOT THERE!

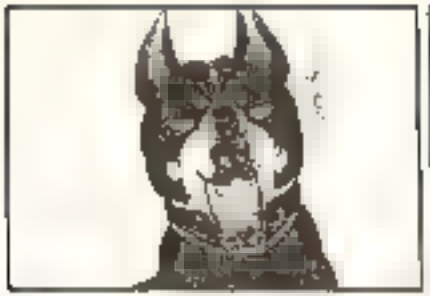
OH YEAH. THIS IS PART OF AKAKABUTO'S STRONGHOLD!
IS IT A BEAR?


WOOF!
WOOF

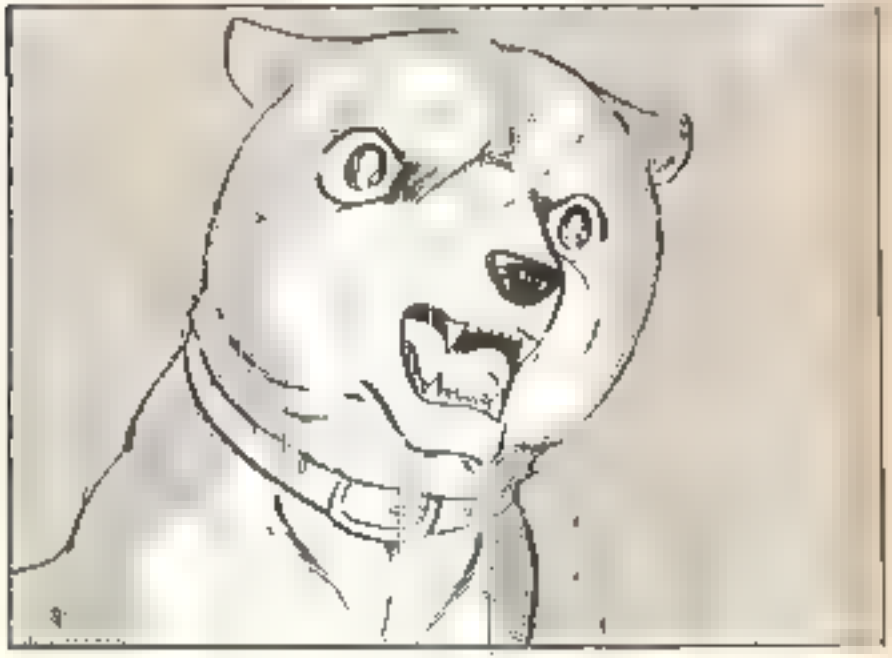
GR
RR!

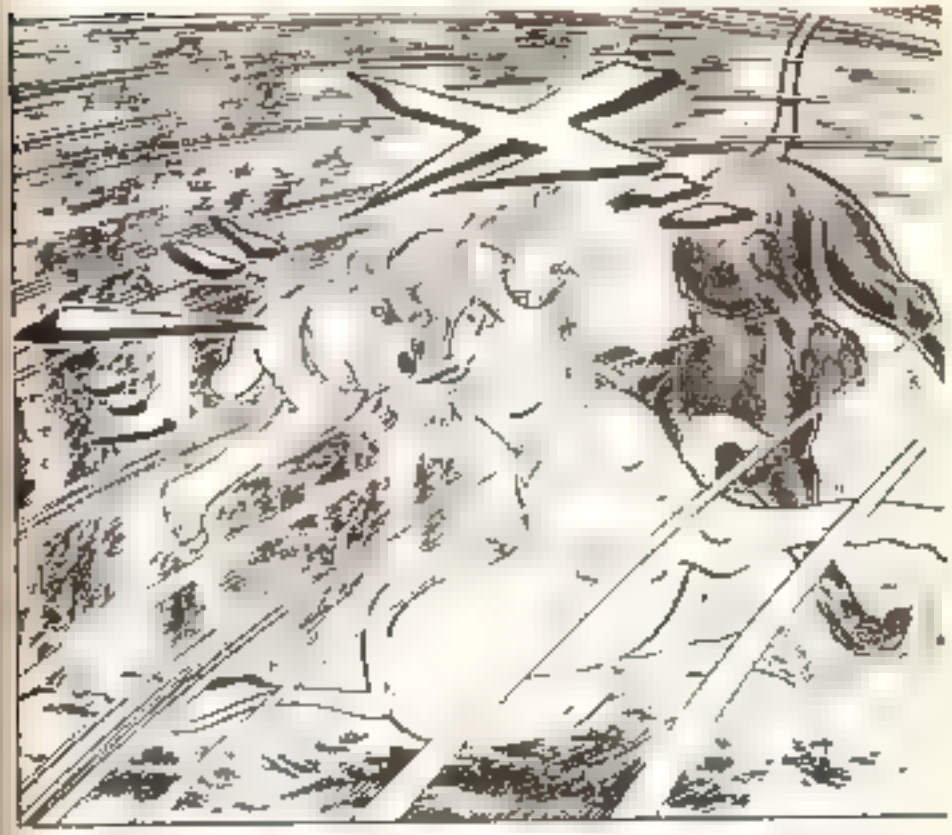

JOHN!
HUH?!

GUA
AAH!



GIN, YOU BASTARD! WHY ARE YOU HERE?!





AAH, HE'S DONE IT NOW... THAT FOOL!

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING?!

HE JUST WANTED TO SPEAK WITH MOSS AS A SOLDIER. TO MAKE HIM UNDERSTAND!
BEN WAS TRYING HIS HARDEST TO PREVENT A FIGHT!

THAT'S RIGHT!

YOUR BAD ORDERS HAVE NO AUTHORITY
GENERAL
YOU WON'T GET WHAT BELONGS TO BEN!-
NO MATTER HOW FAR UP YOUR OWN ASS YOU ARE, GENERAL

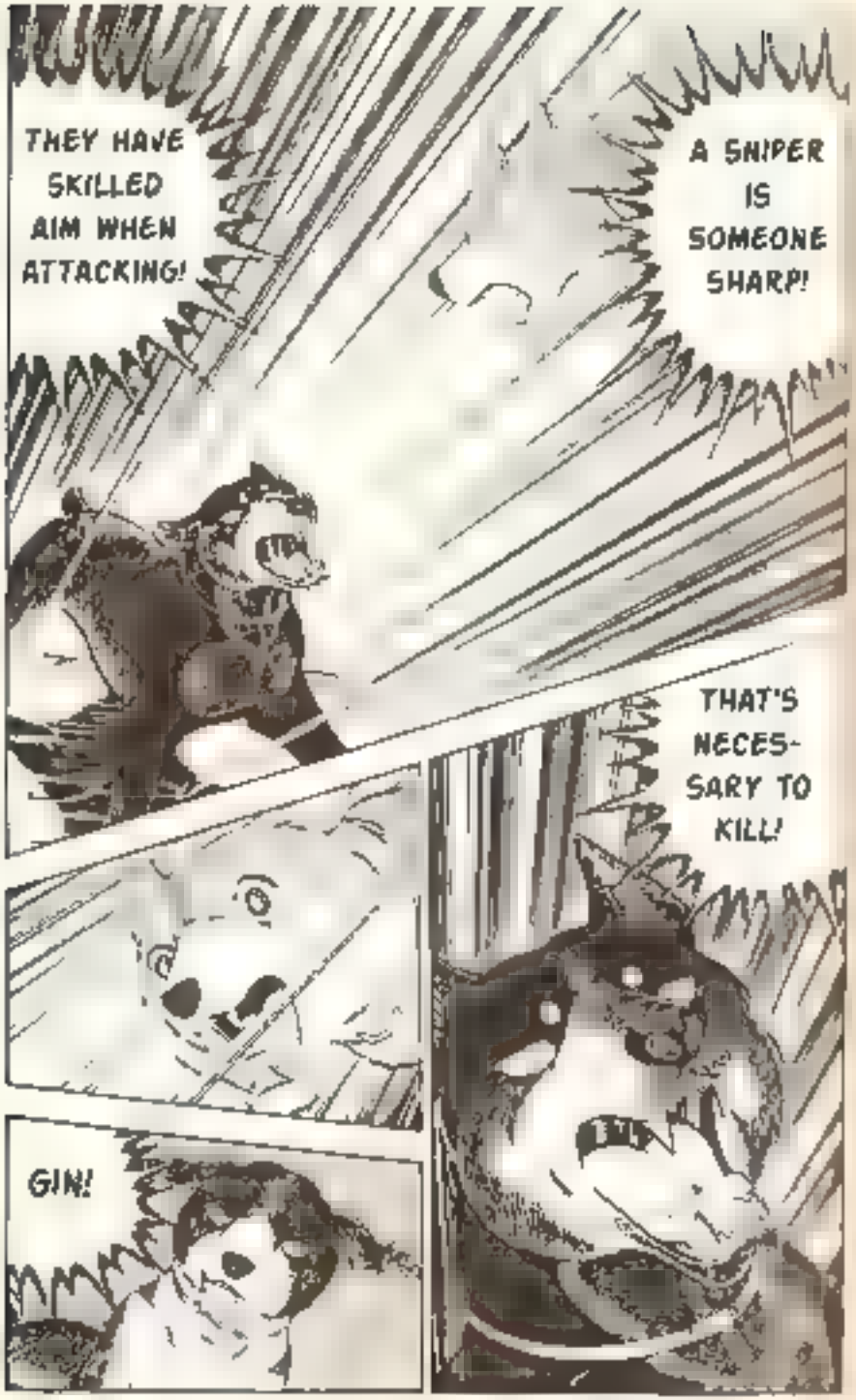
SIR, THIS IS AN ORDER FROM YOUR OFFICER KILL HIM!
I DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER TO YOU.
GENERAL YOU TOO!
WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?!

I'LL LISTEN TO BEN'S ORDERS! GO AND REPORT TO BEN WHAT YOU'VE DONE!
NO!

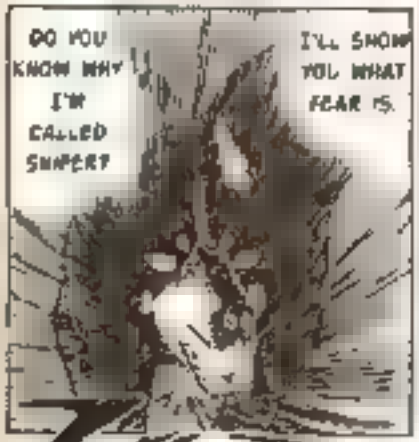
WHAT ?

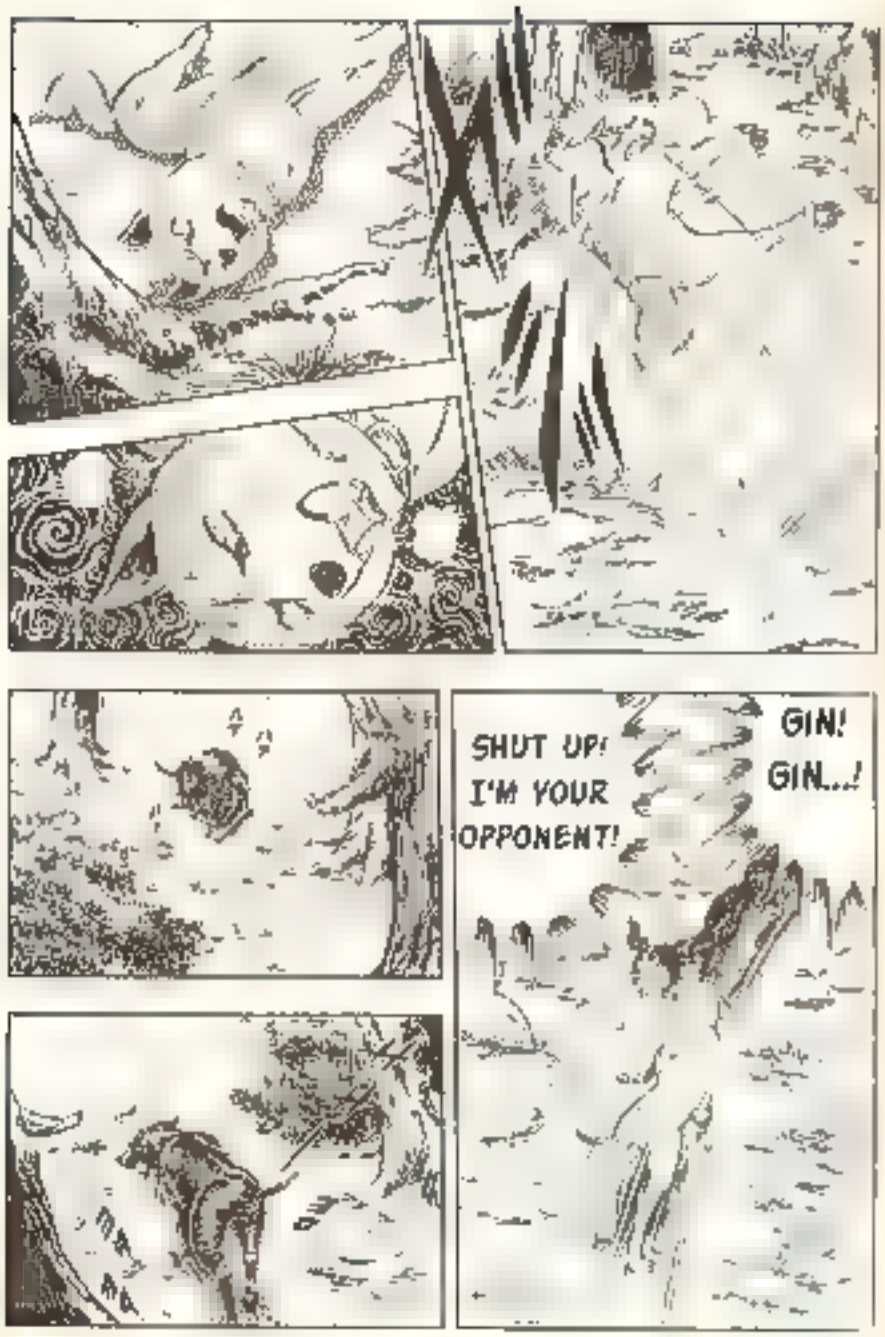
HE REALLY IS HIS SON AN EVEN BETTER REASON TO KILL HIM
SO NOW HE LOOKS JUST LIKE THE LEADER
UAAAH!

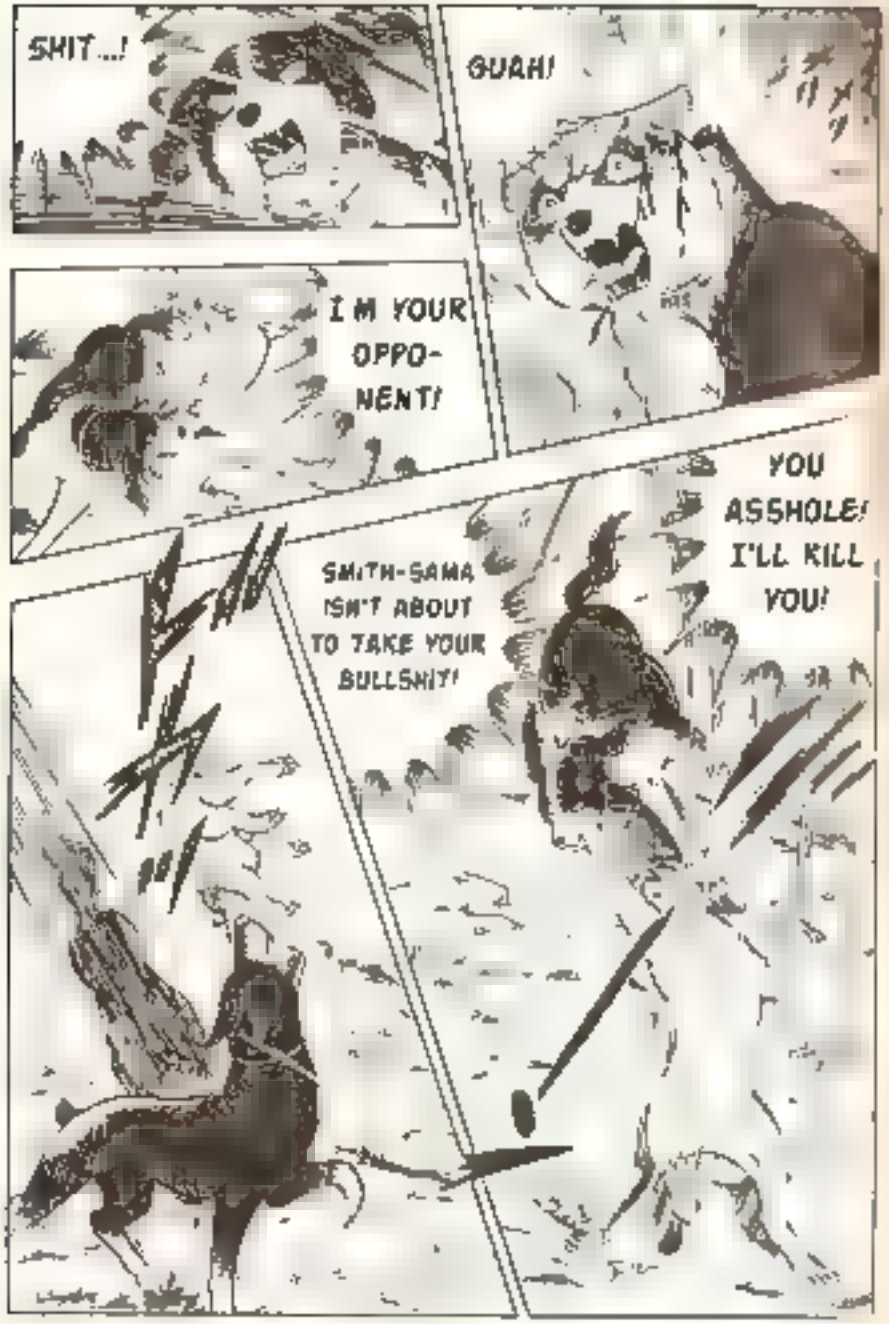
I'LL DEAL WITH THE BRAT
HYENA, YOU TAKE CARE OF SMITH.
WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THESE LOUTS ?
WHAT ?!
I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU TRY!
GIN!

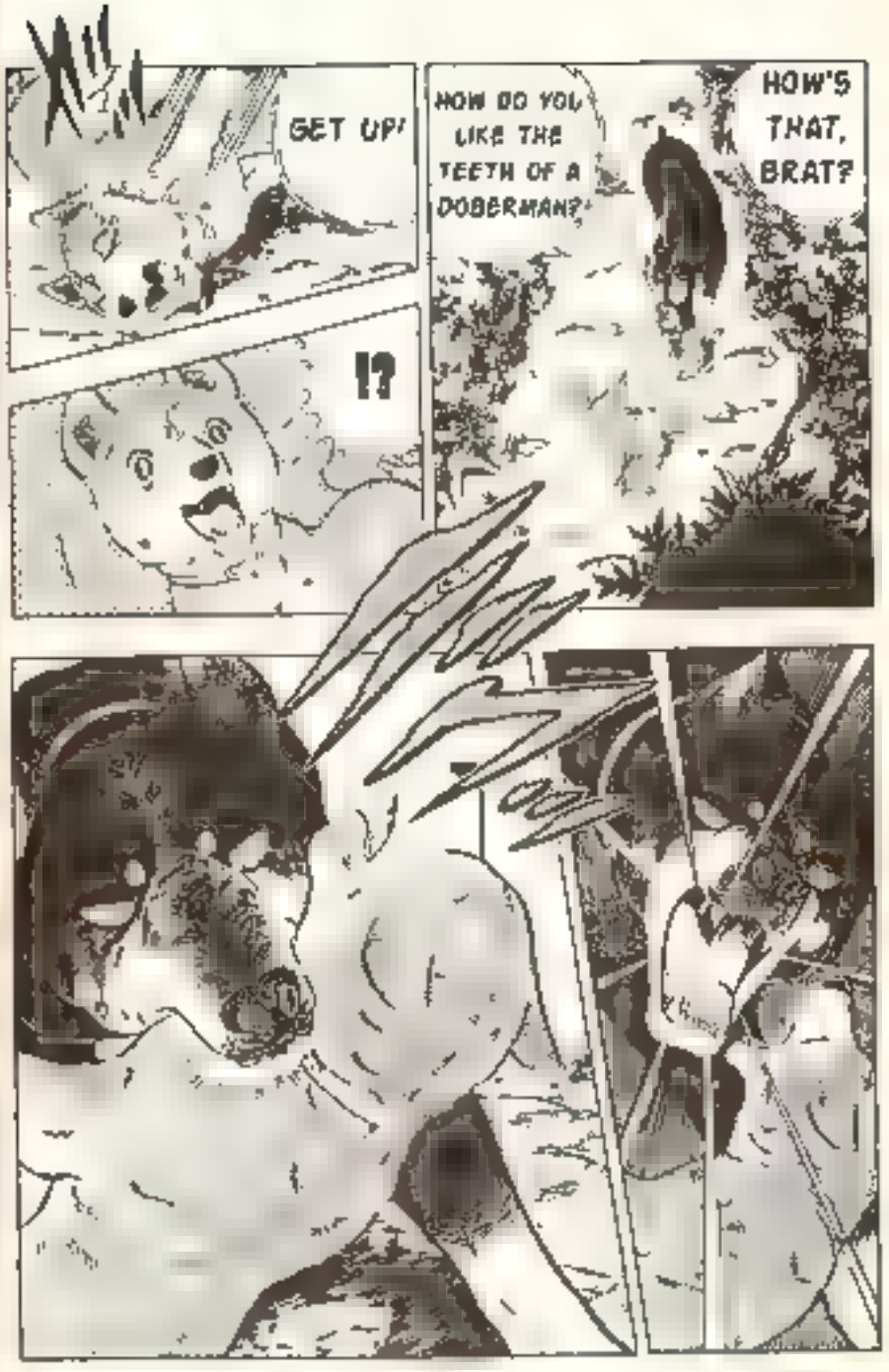

THEY HAVE SKILLED AIM WHEN ATTACKING!
A SNIPER IS SOMEONE SHARP!
THAT'S NECES-SARY TO KILL!
GIN!

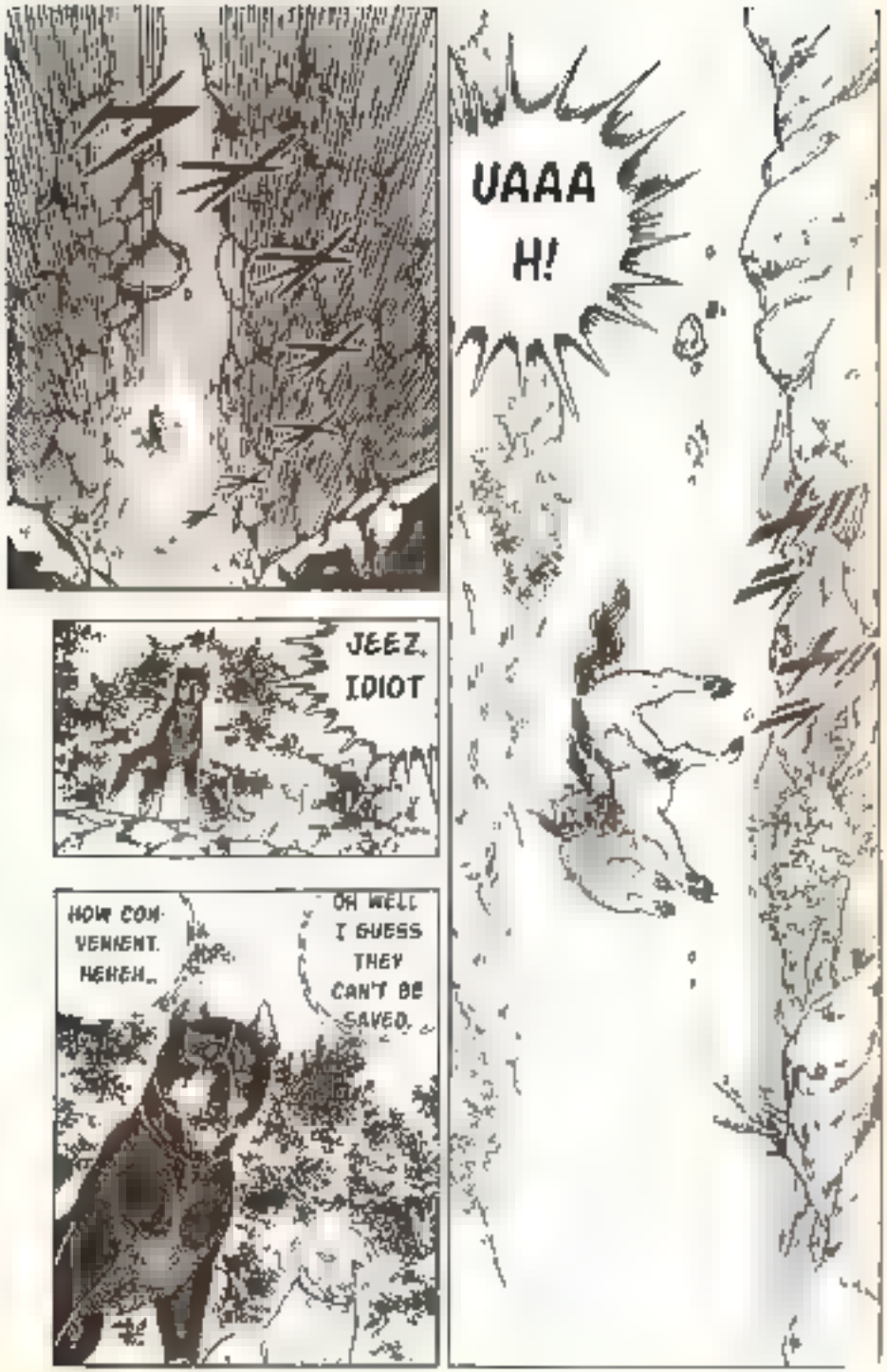
DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU CAN FIGHT HIM?!
FOOL! GIN. GET AWAY!


DO YOU KNOW WHY I'M CALLED SNIPER?
I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT FEAR IS.

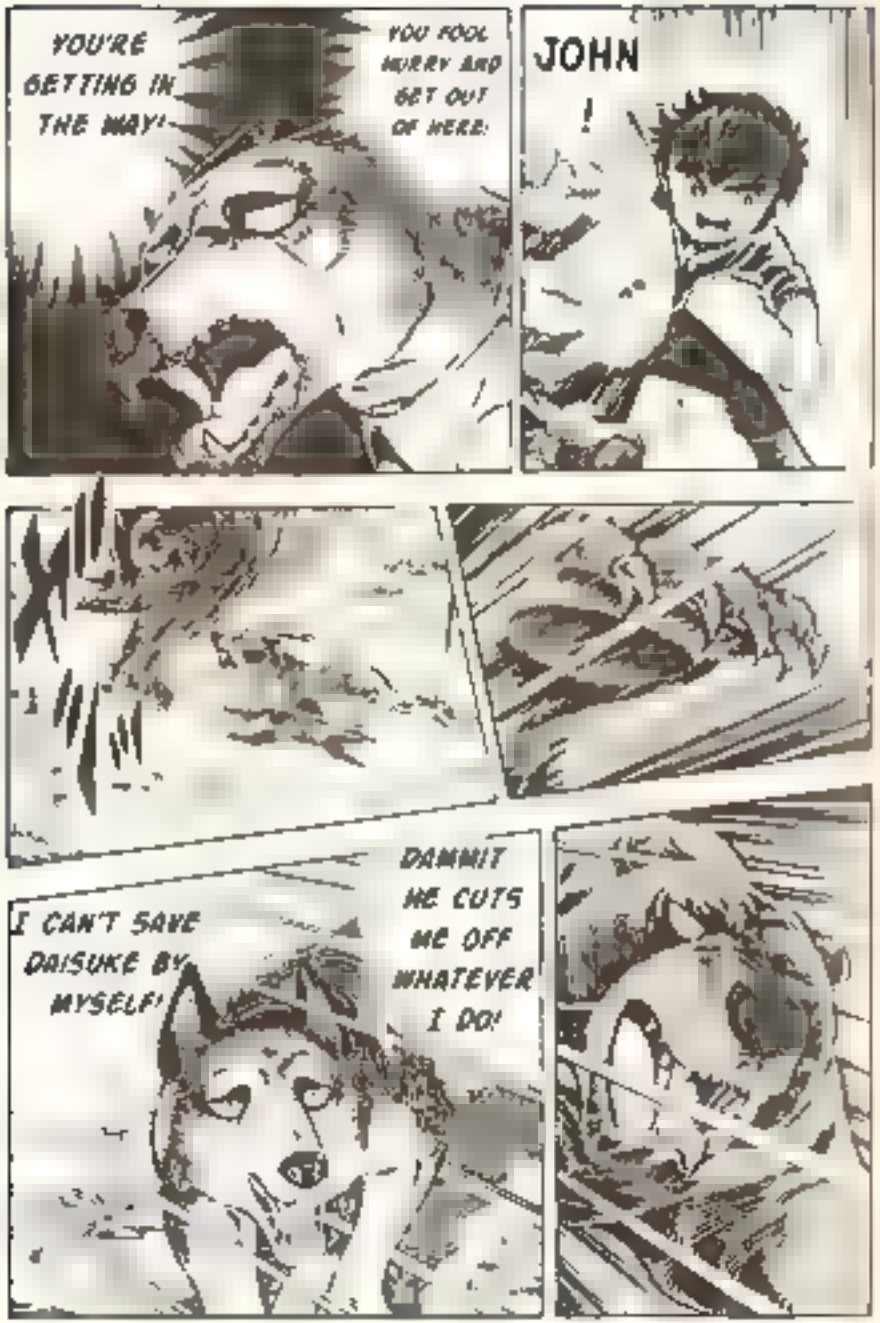

SHUT UP!
I'M YOUR
OPPONENT!
GIN!
GIN...!

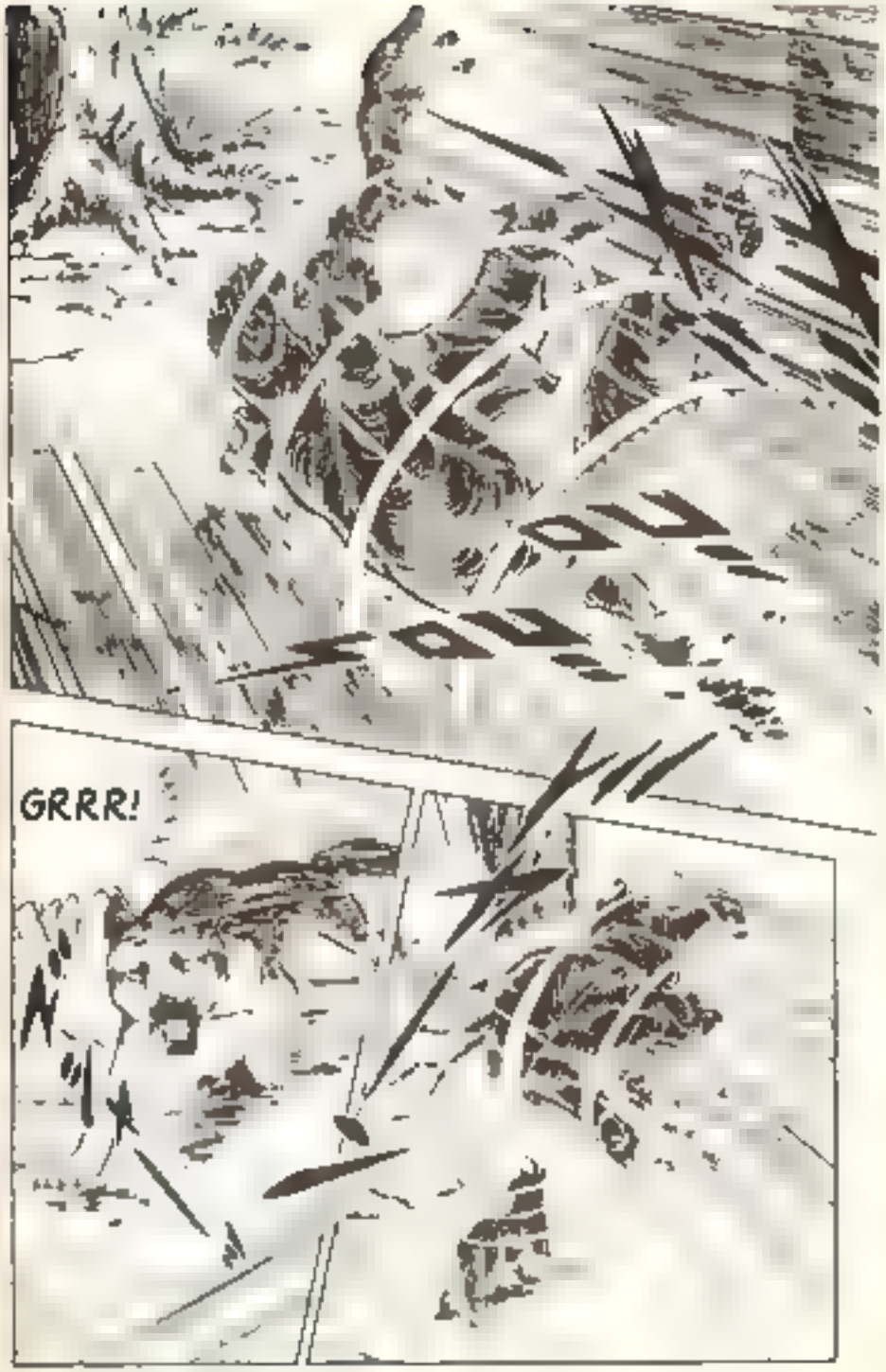

SHIT...!
GUAH!
I M YOUR OPPO-NENT!
YOU ASSHOLE! I'LL KILL YOU!
SMITH-SAMA ISN'T ABOUT TO TAKE YOUR BULLSHIT!


GET UP!
!?
HOW DO YOU LIKE THE TEETH OF A DOBERMAN?
HOW'S THAT, BRAT?


UAAA
H!
JEEZ, IDIOT
HOW CONVENIENT. HEHEH...
OH WELL I GUESS THEY CAN'T BE SAVED.

BAST ARD!
BY DOING THIS, YOU'RE GOING AGAINST THE GENERAL DO YOU UNDERSTAND?!
STOP THERE, SMITH!
AH!
YOU HAVE MORE GUTS THAN AN ADULT WOULD HAVE HAD! WHY'D YOU HAVE TO DO THIS?!
YOU GODDAMN FOOL...!


YOU'RE GETTING IN THE WAY!
YOU FOOL HURRY AND GET OUT OF HERE!
JOHN !
I CAN'T SAVE DAISUKE BY MYSELF!
DAMMIT HE CUTS ME OFF WHATEVER I DO!


GRRR!

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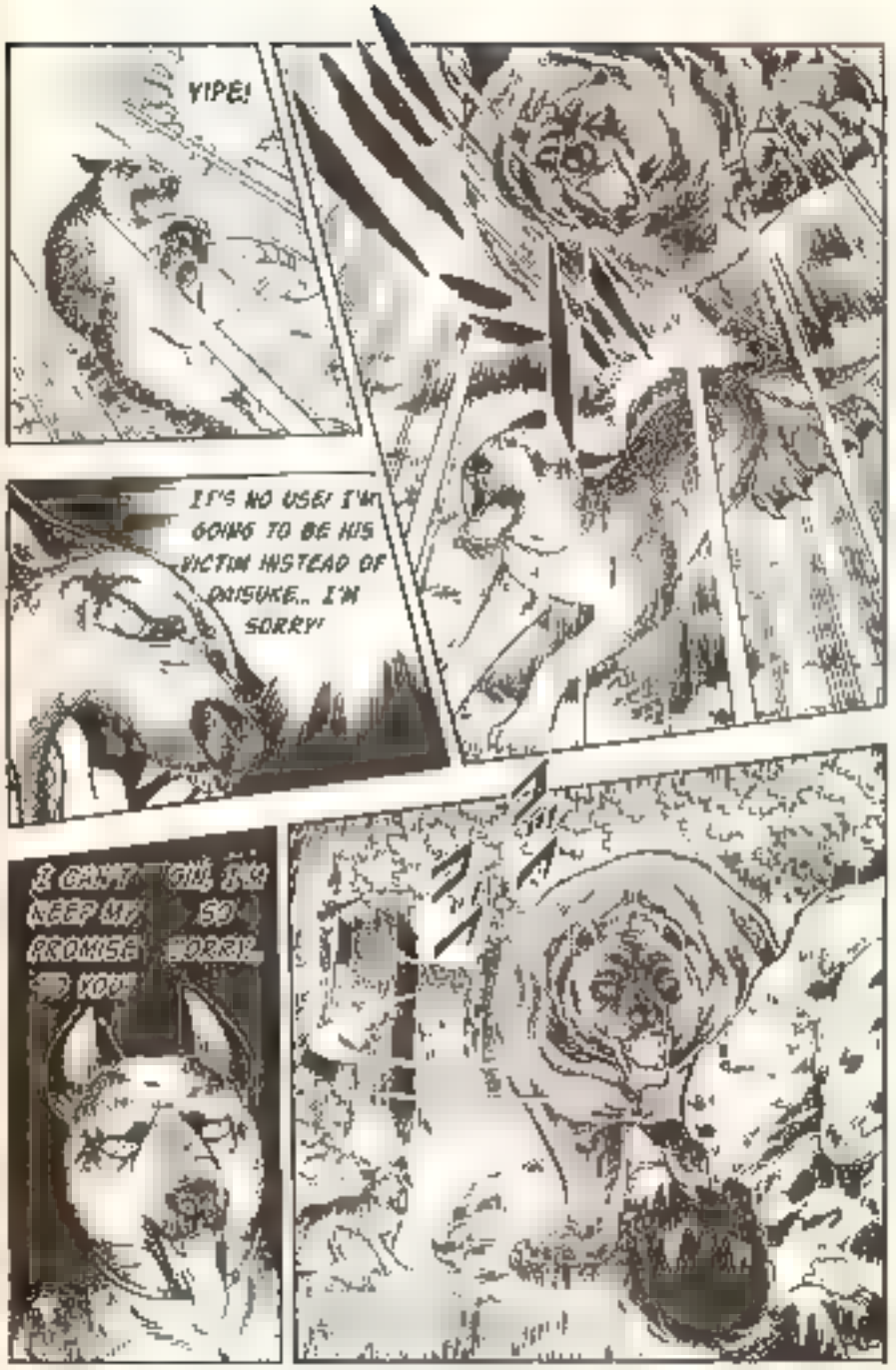
YIPE!
IT'S NO USE! I'M GOING TO BE HIS VICTIM INSTEAD OF DAISUKE... I'M SORRY!
I CAN'T KEEP MY PROMISE TO YOU
GIN, I'M SO SORRY!

GRRR!

THE BEAR RAN IN FEAR...?!
WHAT THE...?! JUST FROM HIM SHOWING UP...

WEREN'T YOU IN BEN'S PLATOON? WHAT HAPPENED TO HIM?
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
HE'S NOT SUPERIOR TO ME!
HEH... YOU FOOL! DON'T DECIDE THINGS FOR ME!

I'M GOING TO FIGHT YOU AND BEAT YOU. AFTER I'VE WON, I'LL TAKE OVER YOUR ROLE.
HEH. ALRIGHT. LISTEN WELL.
THEN, WHAT'RE YOUR INTENTIONS?

WHAT'S WRONG? WHO DID THIS?!
IT'S MOSS'S MESSENGER FROM BEFORE!
WHO IS THAT?!

SOON, DAY WILL TURN TO NIGHT... WE STILL HAVE TO GO AND MEET WITH MOSS!
THEY'RE LATE... I CAN'T BELIEVE GIN AND SMITH STILL HAVEN'T RETURNED.
I CAN SMELL BLOOD!
HUH?
I WONDER IF MOSS CAUGHT THEM.
BEN, THIS IS WEIRD...
HUH?
HEY, AKATORA! DON'T FOOL AROUND!

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